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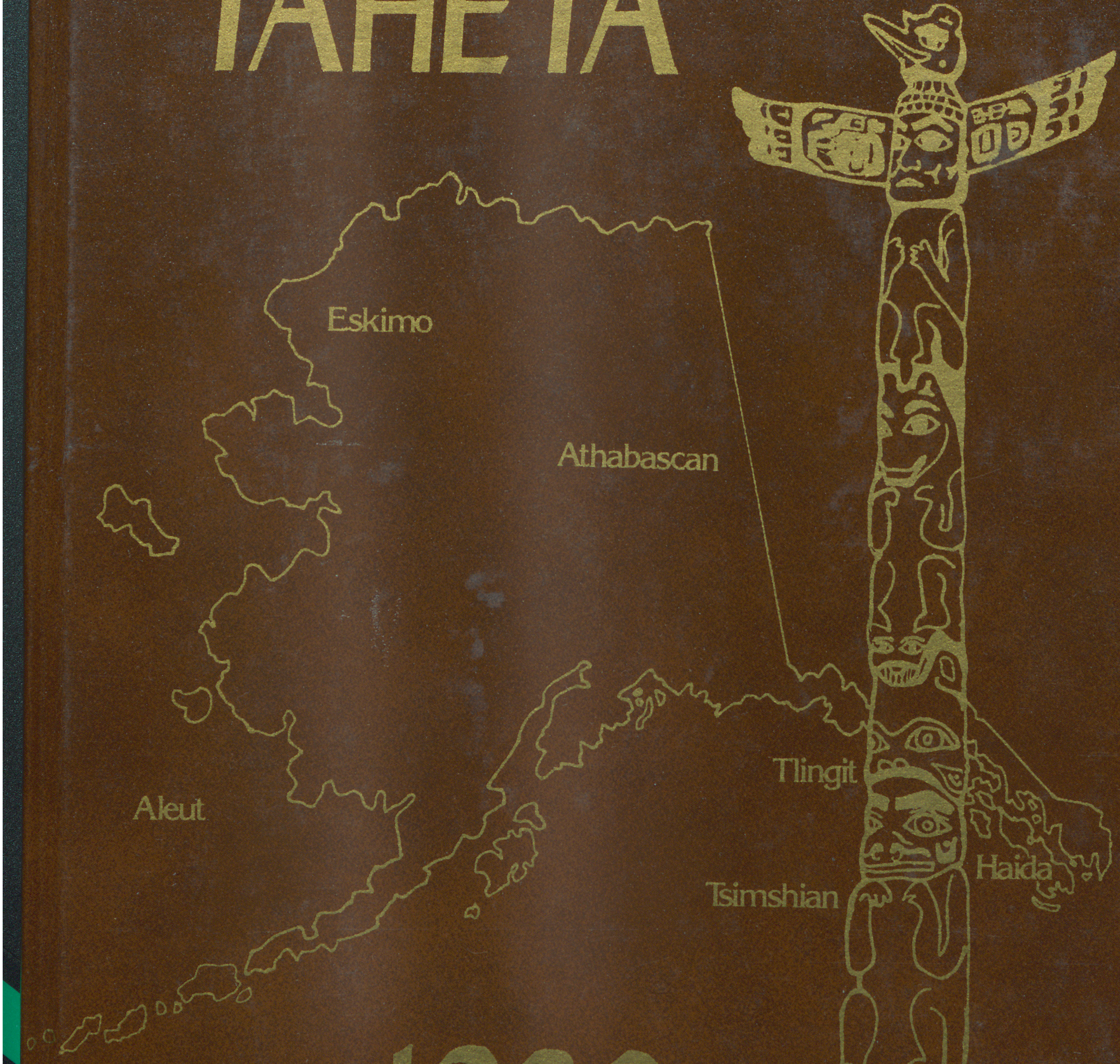
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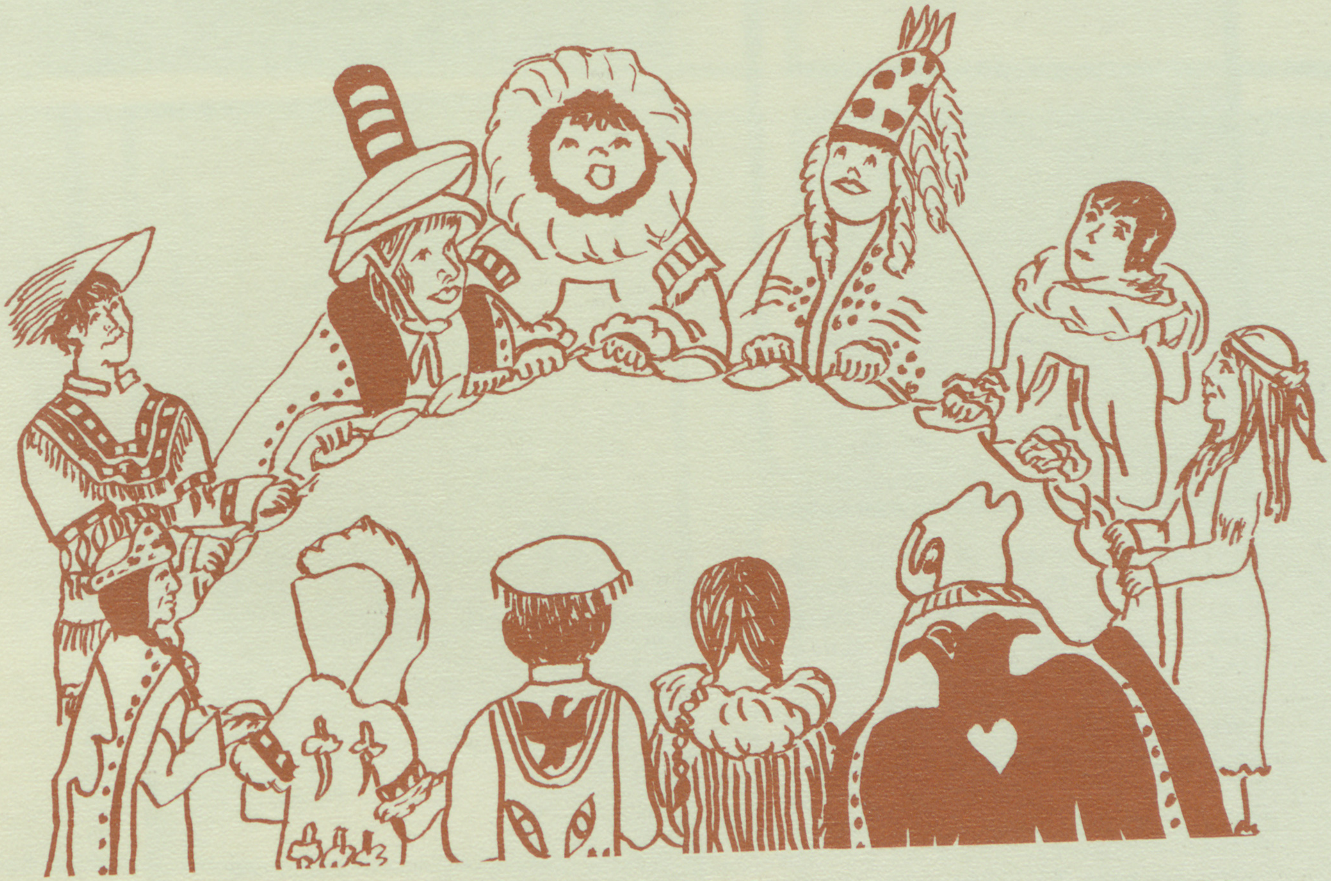

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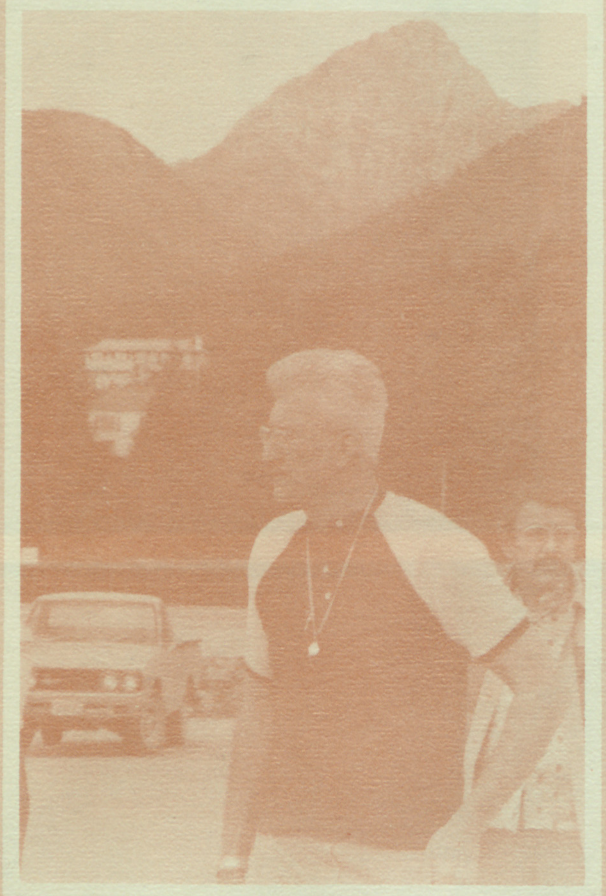

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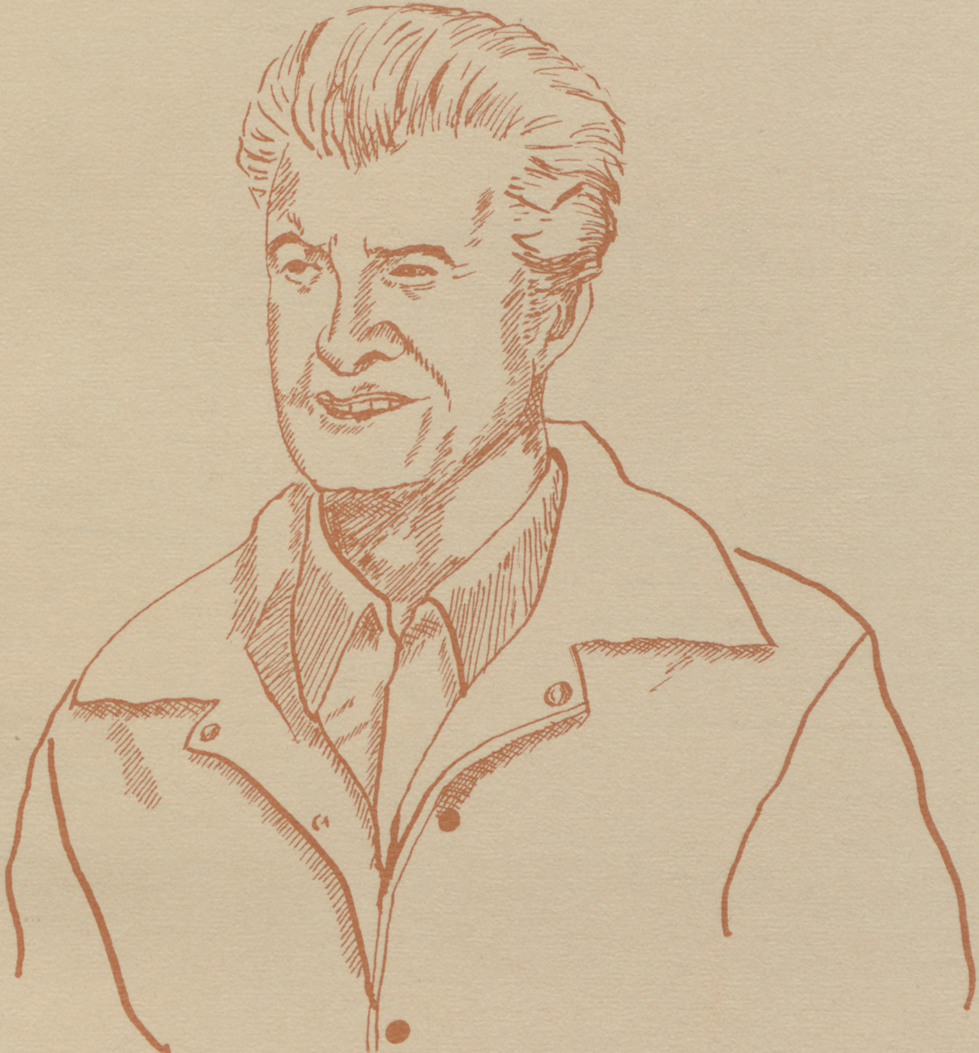
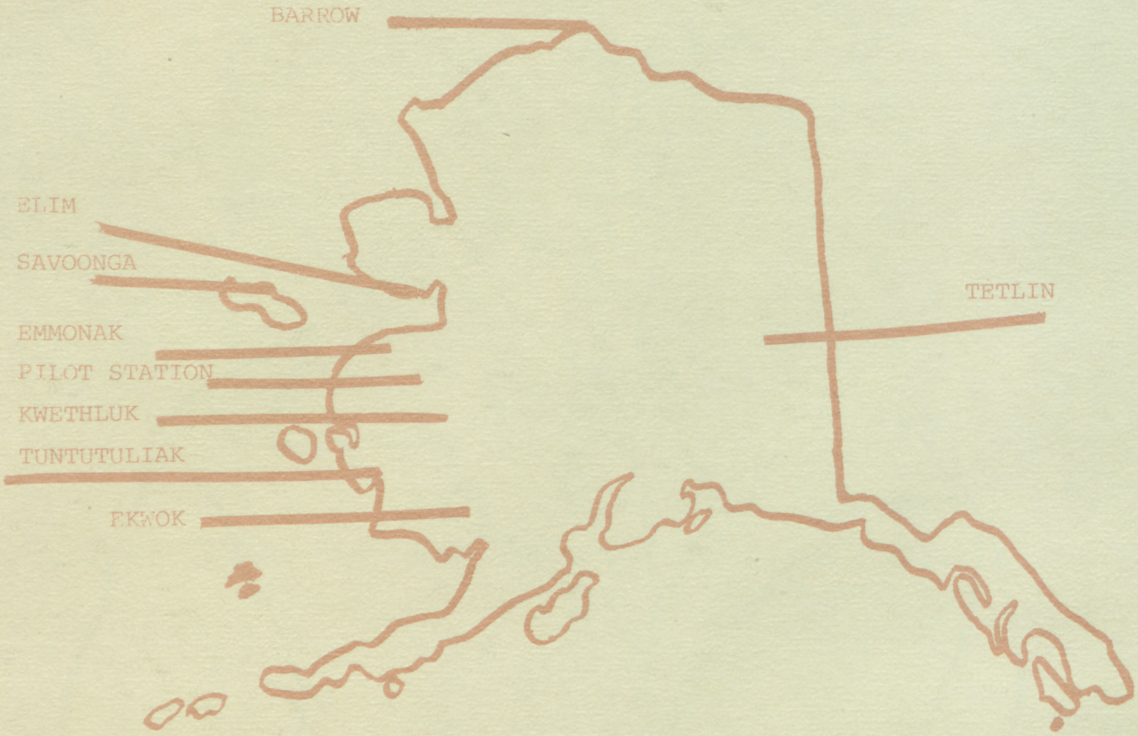


Verdell Briggs

THE DECISION MAKERS FOR THE 1979-1980 YEAR
THE SCHOOL BOARD

The Mount Edgecumbe School Board probably has the largest area of responsibility of any school board in the State of Alaska. Members of the School Board are elected annually by the parents of students attending the Mount Edgecumbe High School. The state is divided into five regions, each region elects one member and one alternate.



The entire School Board meets in the spring and fall. At other meetings during the year, either the elected or the alternate attends. As members of the School Board, the parents help establish policies and plan the direction that the school will take in the future.

The members of the School Board for this year are from: District One: Luki Akelkok of Ekwok; District Two: Peter Miller of Tuntutuliak, and Joseph Guy of Kwethluk; District Three: Thomas Moses of Emmonak, Clyde Francis of Pilot Station; District Four: Alma Toolie of Savoonga, Betty Segock of Elim; District Five: Patrick Joe of Tetlin, Dorcas Maupin of Barrow.

'STUCO' GETTING STRONGER AND MORE ORGANIZED EVERY YEAR.

"Student Council has been more organized, and active in representing the students" said Mr. Saito, the student council advisor.

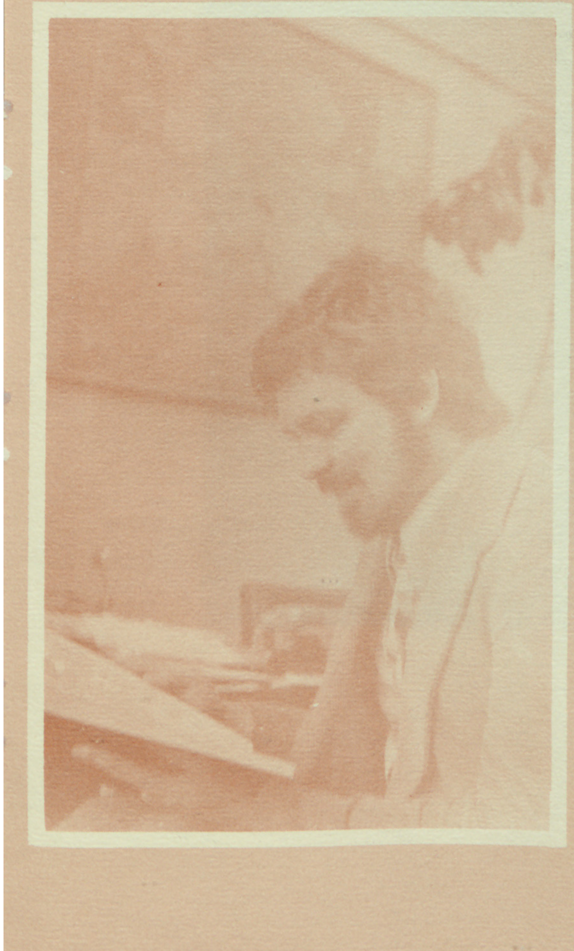
The members of the executive board; President Julie Petro, Vice President Jeri Komonaseak, Secretary Robin Thomas, Treasure Nicky Myers, and Member at Large were elected by the council last spring. Flora Solomon was elected by the council to replace Robin as secretary. All class officers and club representatives have voting privileges for decisions made by the council.

All members of the council were given the Oath of Office from the School Superintendent LeRoy Demmert.

For the first time the student council has a room to keep paper work in and hold meetings. "BLDG. 100, Rm. 211, once a empty classroom is now a busy center of student council activity" said Jeri Komonaseak, Vice-Pres.

The Student Council's first project was Big Brothers, Big Sisters welcoming and helping new and old returning students. "The Student Council has taken on more responsibility and has received more student input and participation than ever before" said Julie Petro, the President of the council.

From left to right are the class officers: Martha Sharp, Mr. Saito, the advisor, Franklin Lott, Deloris Pitka, Larry Philemonoff, Georgianna Philemonoff, Jeff Maupin, Karen Douglas, Frieda Wasky, Paul Guy, Helen Spein, Charlene Nelson, Teri Komonaseak, Donna Kious, Lena Toolie, Stella Cleveland, Nellie Charlie, Wayne Francis, Kathy Duskin and Fern Miller.



Quotes Mr. Saito, "The Student Council is mostly there for learning, if the students don't learn the government themselves, the Natives of Alaska will have poor leaders."

Mr. Gaston, the new advisor also quotes, "It is there to represent the students and to make sure their voice is heard, in the decision making process of the school. They serve as leaders and communicate between students, administrators and faculty."

To the Students of Mt. Edgecumbe High School:

We Native Alaskans have seen our towns, our homes, and our people changing from our old ways of life, Families were close in the old days. Cousins, uncles, and aunties were all very important to each of us, they were like brothers and parents. Most of our parents were fishermen and hunters and many were raised learning the same kinds of skills our fathers and grandfathers knew and taught us. They were the skills necessary to get along well in our small, geographically close environment. Those skills we learned were the skills and knowledge necessary to earn our living in our people's ways.

In the past, our relationship to the land was more direct and immediate, but now with more people and fewer natural resources from that land, some of us must change our daily way of life. We can still retain many of the skills and ways of our fathers but maybe it is also important for us to enter and take our places in what is called today's modern society.

Alaska is still ours and we will continue to live here. State business, education, government, and industry all hold opportunities for each of you, and as well, those areas need your skills and knowledge as residents, and as Native residents of Alaska.

Formal education is a way for many to open doors of opportunity that might otherwise be closed. These opportunities can lead to success in life. Success can be defined as being able to reach the goals and skills necessary to set realistic and reachable goals. Education will be an ongoing part of your life as you take your place in a world that is expanding in all areas. Never cease to learn and improve yourself through education and the continued quest for knowledge.

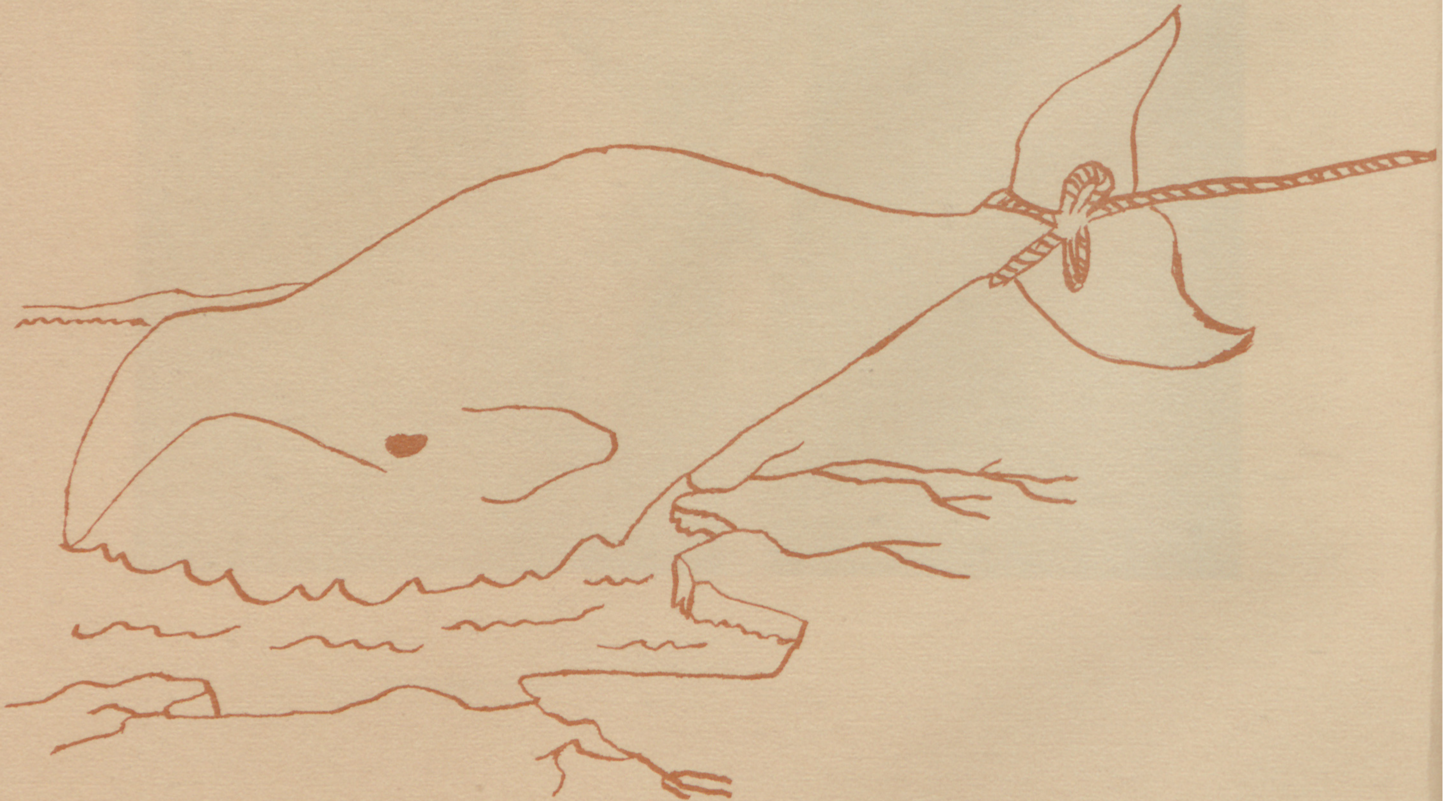
All of us at Mt. Edgecumbe High School have enjoyed working with you during your years here and being a part of your life. Your personal contributions to the school and your contributions as senior class have been appreciated. We will miss you!

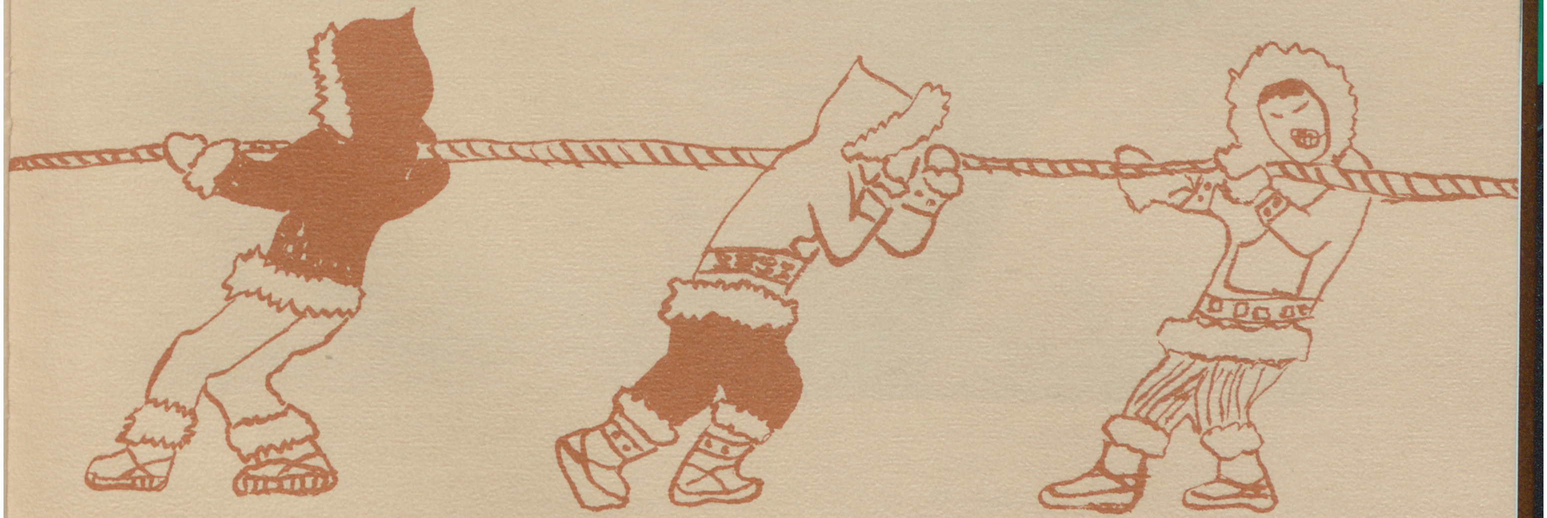
We look forward to the years ahead when you, the graduates of Mt. Edgecumbe High School will be leaders in your communities and will hold positions of leadership in our state.

Best wishes for your future plans, keep in touch, we will look forward to hearing from you.

LeRoy Demmert

LeRoy Demmert
Superintendent





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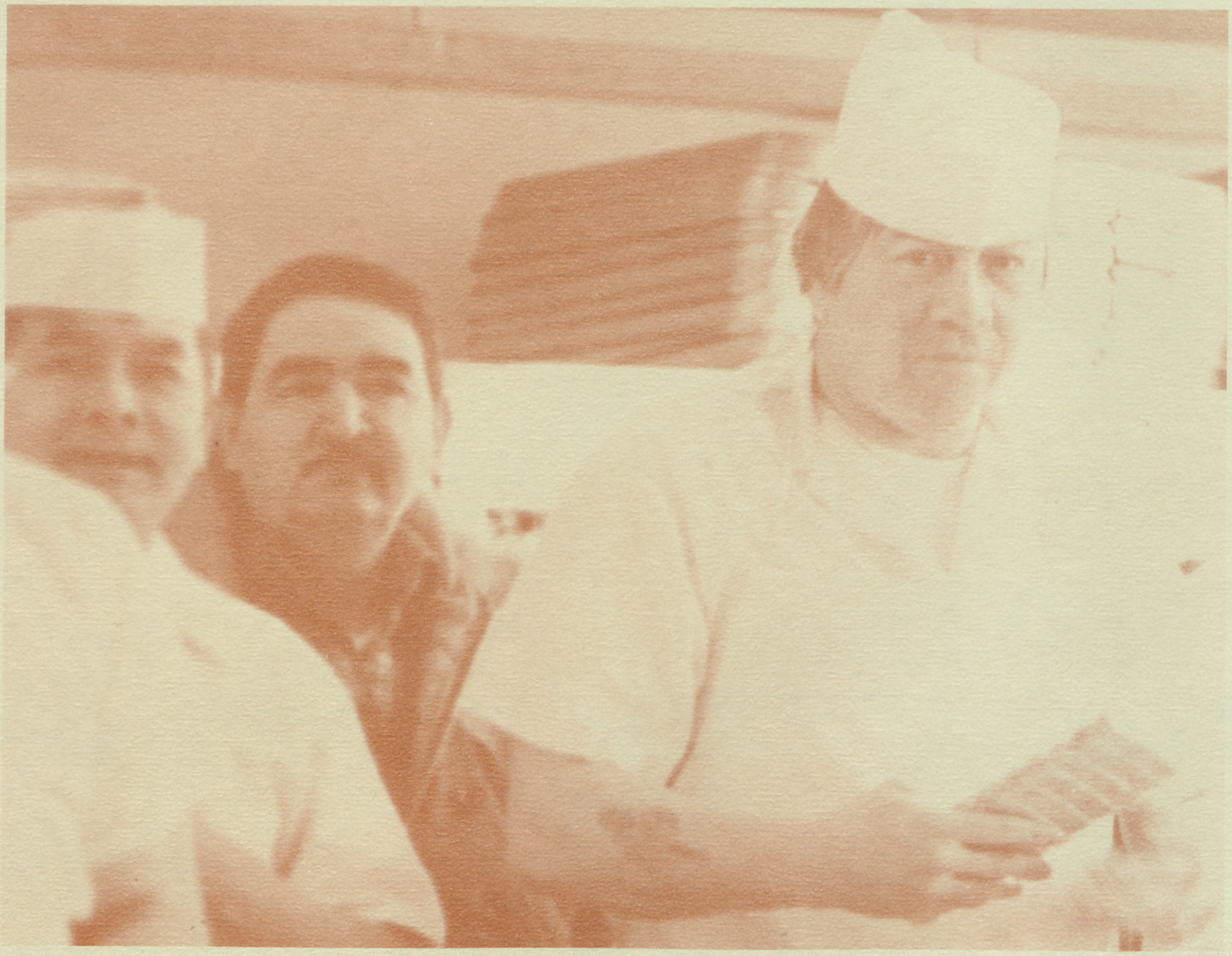
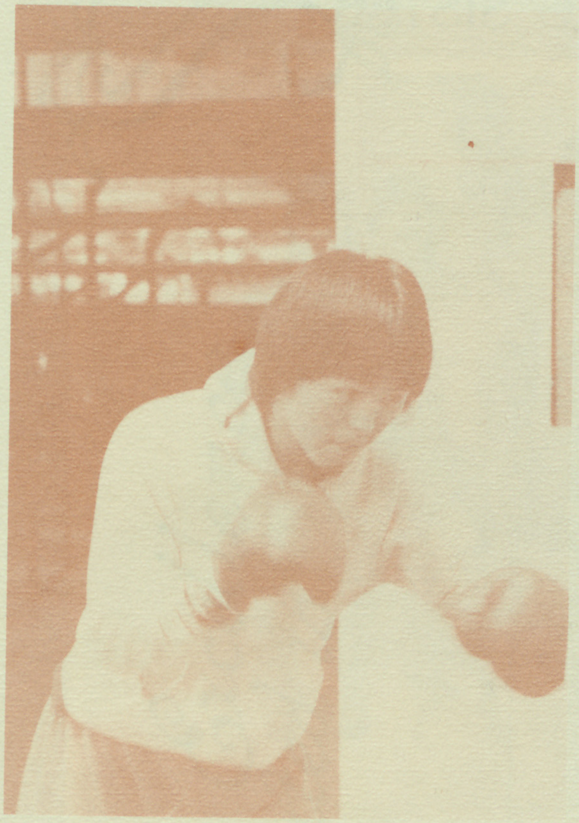


Jerry "Osh" Lang
August 4, 1933-September 15, 1979

Osh was born in Metlakatla. He liked to go fishing and spent many days fishing in the pleasant waters around Sitka. He met his wife Mrs. Mary Lang during her junior year at Mt. Edgecumbe in 1964. Osh is survived by his wife Mary and daughters Lisa, Myrna, and Cory. He was in the Marines from June 24, 1954 to July 26, 1956. He was honorably discharged in 1956. He worked in the Mt. Edgecumbe School Kitchen from 1965 to 1979, and enjoyed working there. He was always teasing with the students and walking around the tables and talking with students. His loss will be in the students' minds and his family, he will be missed by all who knew him. Although he is gone from us, he will remain in our minds and our hearts as a good friend and one who got along with so many of us. He was a good friend as well as a good cook.



BERNARD OLIVER GEORGE
February 11, 1959-August 8, 1979

Bernard was a 1979 graduate of M.E.H.S., and had hopes of continuing his education to become an electrician.

He attended four years at M.E.H.S. He was a good student with high interests in many shop classes. He is described by many of his shop teachers as having been imaginative, industrious, and a considerate student. In his last year of high school, he not only received his diploma, but he also received the "Outstanding Technical Arts Student of the Year" award. He will be missed by not only his family, but by his friends, that he made here at Mt. Edgecumbe.

His sisters that are now attending the school, describe Bernard as having been a fun and loving person to be with and spend a lot of time with. He is also described as being easy to talk to.

He was also the type of person that joked around and didn't mind being teased. We all miss him and have a fond memory of him.

MICHAEL HERBERT
August 31, 1962-July 25, 1979

Michael attended Mt. Edgecumbe during the third quarter of the 1978-1979 year. He came down from West Valley in Fairbanks. Mike was not with us very long, but those who knew Michael recognized him as a young man with a lot of potential. We are deeply saddened by his sudden death last summer. He will be missed by many of his friends that he made while attending Mt. Edgecumbe High School. He was on the boxing team while he was here. In the letter that his family sent to the school, they described Michael as being a friendly person who was always making friends and taking them home with him. He was going to become a mechanic and was always tinkering with motors of any kind. He also enjoyed drawing pictures of sport cars, he also like to ski, play baseball, wrestling, fishing. He had many interests and was useful and fun to be with in class.

We will all miss Michael and always remember him as he was, while he attended school here.

BIG BROTHER BIG SISTER

The BBBS program went very well this year, the students themselves kept the group together and enjoyed working together with the new and returning students. The students in this program are: Lanny Moore, Frank Kashatok, Janell Phillemonoff, Richard Simon, Helen Spein, Jake and Arthur Redfox, Bernadette Moses, Randy Engler, Nicky Myers, Eva Kapatok, Terry and Jeri Komonaseak, Julie Petro, Lena Toolie, and Ellen Willis. A new student, Theresa Tittle, assisted in the program. Before students arrived in great numbers, the BBBS occupied their time by making posters for the new students. Other than meeting in Mr. Saito's classroom to decide what they were going to do when the new students arrived, they went to the Rock, went on outings at Blue Lake, Starrigaven, Harbor Mountain, and the Causeway. When the students started to arrive, the BBBS welcomed them and let them know they were glad to see them back to continue their education. The new students were met at the airport, welcomed to Mt. Edgecumbe High School, and then taken to the Auditorium for a short meeting. After, the new students were taken to the dorms and helped to get settled. Other activities involved tours of the Mt. Edgecumbe High School campus and the city of Sitka. Many of the BBBS said that they enjoyed being involved in the program and that they would participate again. It is hoped that this program will be continued. Many feel that it was a good experience to participate in this type of program.

Award of Excellence
presented to

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participant in the Big Brother,
Big Sister program for
work, spirit and enthusiasm
beyond the call of duty.

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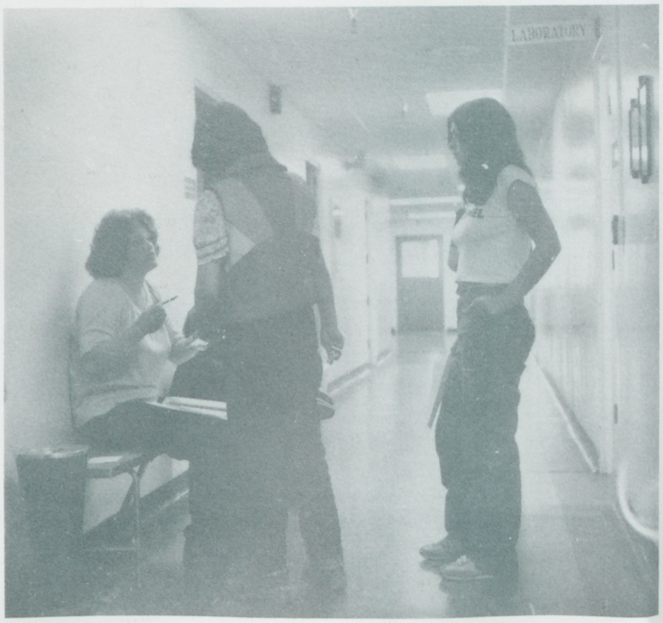
WELLNESS ADDS LIFE

The Wellness Club was first formed by Michael Smith and Janet Allen in January, 1979. Michael works for the Community Health Services as the Health Educator. Janet is the Nurse Practioner in the Wellness Clinic.

The purpose of the club is to help students learn more about health and how they can take better care of themselves and learn more about their bodies. Activities include exercise, nutrition, dealing with stress, and caring for the environment, as well as others.

As part of the club, two students were selected to attend a conference held in Anchorage - Seniors Stella Cleveland and Greg Nothstine.

The Conference intended to further the knowledge of teenagers, who gave their opinions about drug problems, sex, abortion, birth control, recreation time, and other frequently faced problems of teenagers.



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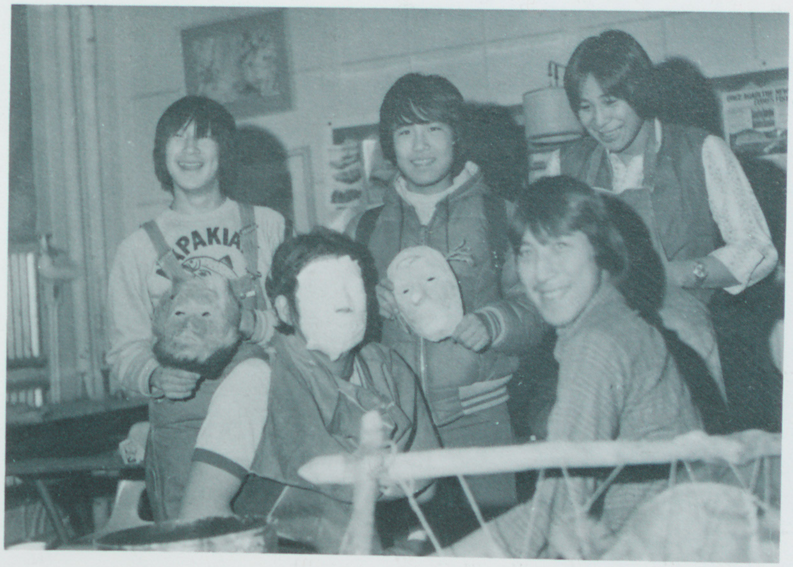


Alexie Nicholai, Alvin Phillip, Henry Olanna, "Masked Man," and Percy Olanna smile at their success.

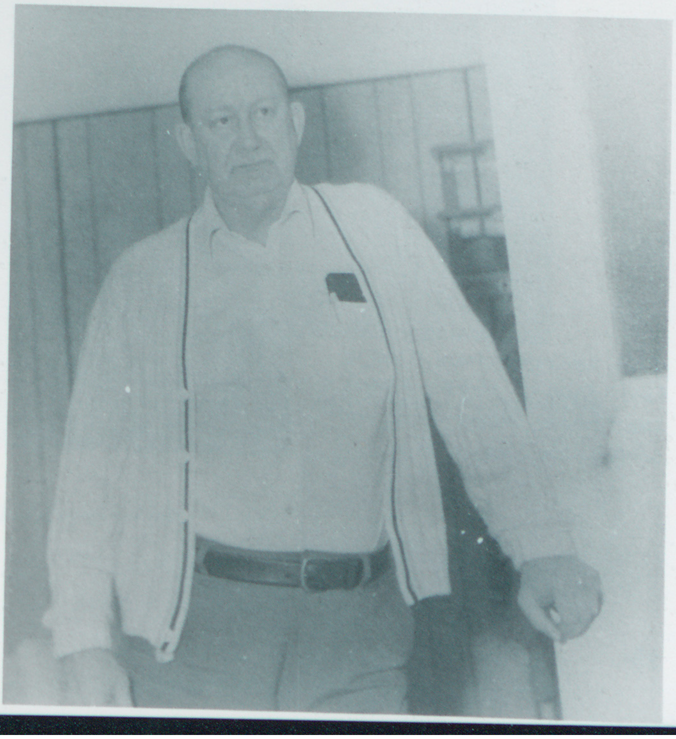
Mr. Braun, the advisor, shows a technique on "face fixing."

Percy smiles and says, "Whew! What a relief!"

Travelers Club

Mr. Harding, the Recreation Director, is advisor to the Travelers Club. The club, which meets twice a month, studies about different countries. They learn about the different lifestyles through films and discussion.

The Club is open to all students and has enjoyed a great first year.



Art Club

This is the second year the Art Club has been in progress. There are eleven students in the club; Mrs. Lantgen is the advisor.

The Art Club emphasizes each individual's art work and raises money to see special art exhibits. Last year the club travelled to Seattle to view the King Tut Exhibit. To raise enough money to go places, the members have auctions, sell raffle tickets for prizes, and sell their own artwork.

This year the Art Club would like to go to a major museum or art show, if any come up. So far the club has been very successful.

Sandra and Ms. Lantgen count all the tickets from the raffle.

(Left to right) Anita George, Fred Joseph, Melvin Joseph, Janet Smoke, Nicky Myers, and Advisor - Ms. Lantgen.

French Club

Thirteen students make up the first year of the French Club, with Mrs. Sutton as advisor.

The purpose of the club is to practice speaking a foreign language and to expose students to French culture. Included is cooking, singing, and playing word games. The French Club also helps prepare students who need a foreign language in their college education.

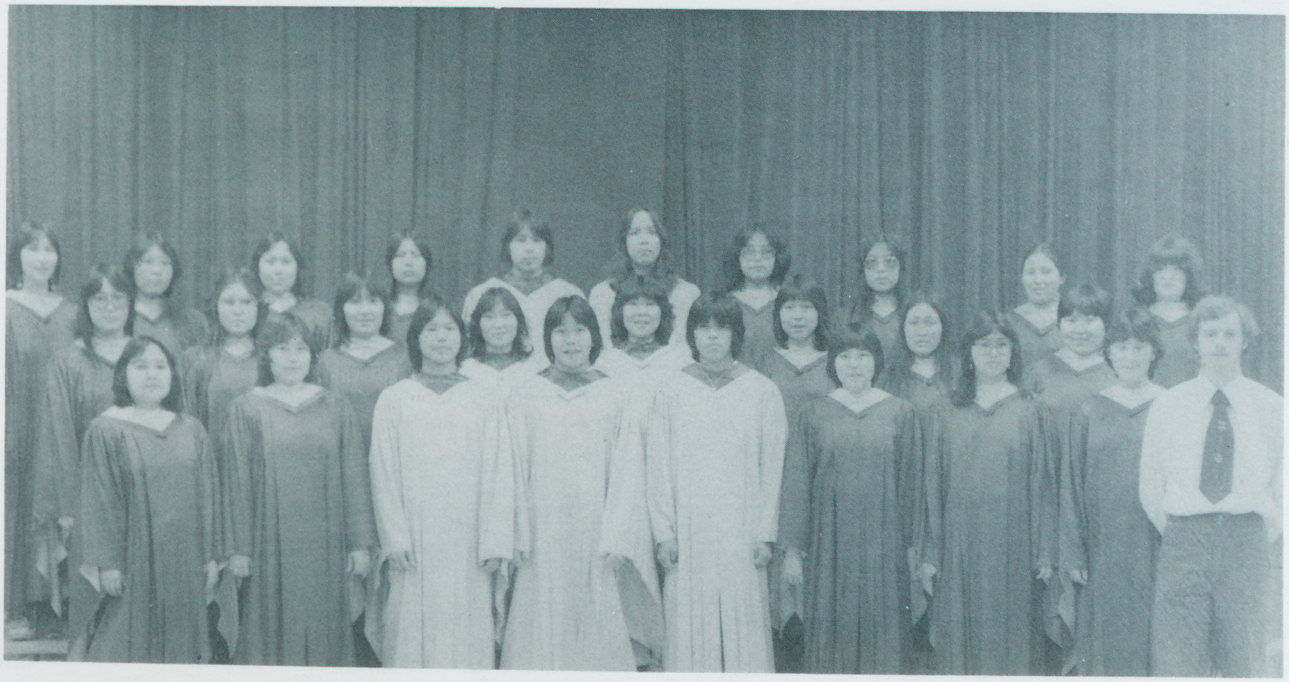
Ellen listens contently while Mrs. Sutton reads the definitions of the words.

Dora looks over her test.

(Top) Nellie Alexie, Olinka Yohak, and Anna George test their angel wings.

(Middle) Kathy Cleveland and Elsie David - Mt. Edgecumbe's representatives to Southeast Honor Choir.

(Bottom) Mr. Hawk, Choir Director, introduces the selection the Mastersingers are about to perform.



The 1979-80 Mastersingers

Top Row (L-R): Lena Lupie, Nellie Charlie, Anna Kapotak, Laura Kroto, Basil Zacharof, Judy Brady, Georgianna Johnson, Lucy Cleveland, Vivian Beans, Rosemary Charles.

Middle Row: Christine Charlie, Kathy Cleveland, Annie Gray, Olinka Yohak, Anna George, Martha Peter, Fannie Andrew, Elsie David.

Bottom Row: Nellie Alexie, Agnes Gregory, Nicky Myers, Wayne Miller, Tom Osborne, Marie Noah, Joanne Hotch, Darlen Evans, and Mr. Hawk.

(Right) Seniors Flora Solomon, Bobby Guy, and Jeff Maupin keep their freshmen Charles Olin, Georgianna Paul, and Alexie Nicholai close at hand so they can get up and do stunts at a snap of their fingers for the entertainment of the others in American Government class.

(Below) Martina Evan pauses to think about being a senior someday before going off to vacuum for her Senior master.

Seniors "Beautify" Freshmen!

(Above) Freshmen watch fellow classmates parade across the stage to sign the freshmen log while tensely anticipating their turn.

(Left) Mr. Nutting and Kim have a laugh in good spirits before getting down to the serious business of judging all the decorated freshmen.

(Far left) Martha Sharp acts like she doesn't see Phillip Nick coming up to ask her to dance while standing on a table in Mr. Davies' class.

Greenhorn!

CHOW, CHOW CHOW

The Mt. Edgecumbe High School has eleven cooks headed by Elmer Booth. Under him are: Allen Nelson, Henry Benson, Thomas Nave, Oleana Bradley, Rudy Larson, Jim Roberts, David Didrickson, Mike Bezezekoff, and Carl Larson.

The cooks work two shifts: 5:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Doors are open for students from 6:45 to 7:30 for breakfast, 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch, and 5:00 pm to 6:00 p.m. for dinner.

Mr. Booth also prepares the food for students who are traveling to outlying towns for sports competition.

In the past, students worked in the kitchen as part of the work study program. However, this year 12 girls serve in the dining hall as part of their detail. The boys take their turn cleaning up after each meal.

On special days like 'Founders' Day', the kitchen staff puts on a special menu for the students in which they enjoy native foods - seal meat, muktuk, akutaq, are part of the "Founders' Day" menu.

(Top) Mt. Edgecumbe's Cooks: (L-R) Rudy Larsen, Chief Cook; Elmer Booth, Mike Bezezekoff, Carl Larsen, Jerry "Osh" Lang, and Jim Roberts. Not pictured are David Didrickson, Oleana Bradley, Henry Benson, Allen Nelson and Thomas Nave.

(Bottom) Lanny Moore, Jake Redfox and Richard Simon delightfully munch down their chow, looking eager for seconds!

(Opposite Page Top) Students line up in two rows for the picnic, picking up their food on one end.

(Opposite Page Bottom) Here, Jim Roberts and David Didrickson stand guard over the watermelon in case somebody decides to snath the whole pan.

On the last day of August, a picnic was held at the Mt. Edgecumbe B.J. McGillis Fieldhouse for students, staff and their families.

While everyone filled their stomach with food prepared by the kitchen staff the Mt. Edgecumbe live band played, making the picnic even more enjoyable. At seven o'clock that evening, a disco dance put on by the Rock was held in the auditorium, sponsored by the Big Brother/Big Sister Program.

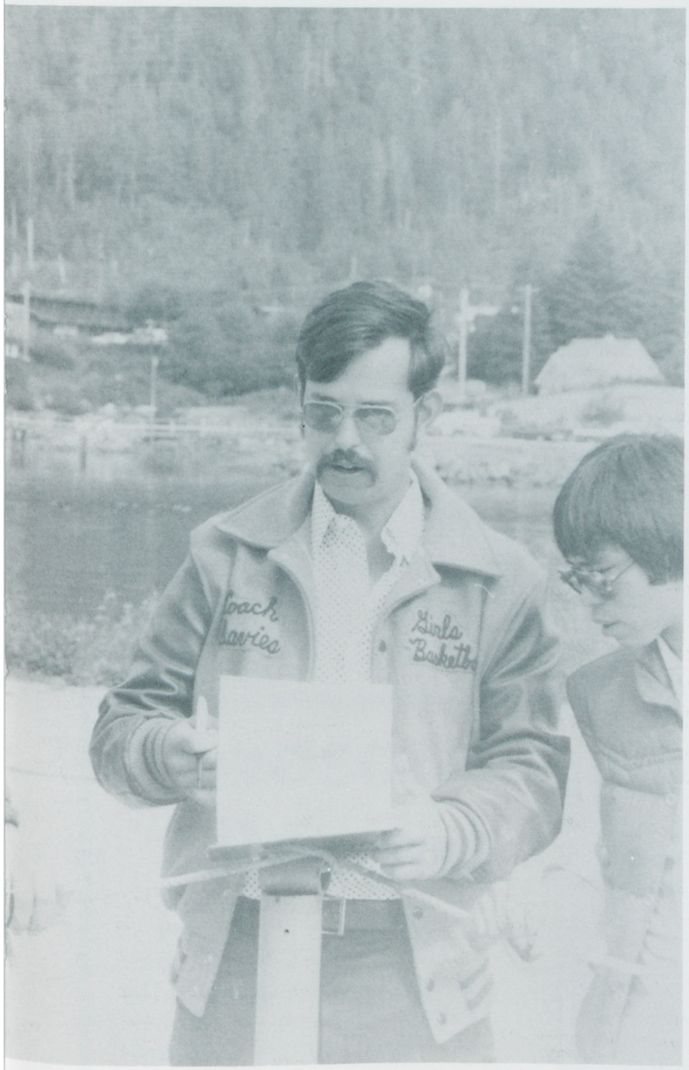
PICNIC BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER.

Cross-Country takes effort to be the best!

The Mt. Edgecumbe Cross Country teams consisted of 31 boys and seven girls. The girls ran two-mile courses for most meets while the boys ran a 2½ mile course.

Both teams attended three invitational meets, one which was hosted by Mt. Edgecumbe High. The fourth meet they attended was the Southeast Region V Championship meet held at Sitka. Juneau's girls' and boys' teams held on successfully to the No. 1 position. The Mt. Edgecumbe boys came in second for the third year in a row, while the girls placed third.

Coach Davies said, "I appreciated the Second Place trophy more this year because it was the toughest year in training, competition, and coaching. It was a good year. All I ask is for every runner to do their best and only they know that."



(Clockwise L-R):

1) *Peter Valka edges past his opponent.*
2) *Coach Davies and Manager Franklin Lott go over the checklist.*
3) *Ernie Kashatok gives it his all!*
4) *Glenn Ivanoff thinks, "I can go another five miles."*
5) *Last minute instructions from the Coach before the meet begins.*

The Cross Country State Meet, which was hosted by Palmer High School, was held at Barry's Resort in Palmer on October 6, 1979.

The top sixteen runners from all six Regions attended the meet. There were 79 boys and 85 girls from 25 different schools.

Joyce Pete, a Senior from Akiak, and Charlie Spud, a Junior from Mekoryuk, represented Mt. Edgecumbe High School. Pete came in 55th in the Girls' 21/8 mile course and Spud came in 67th in the Boys' 27/8 mile course.

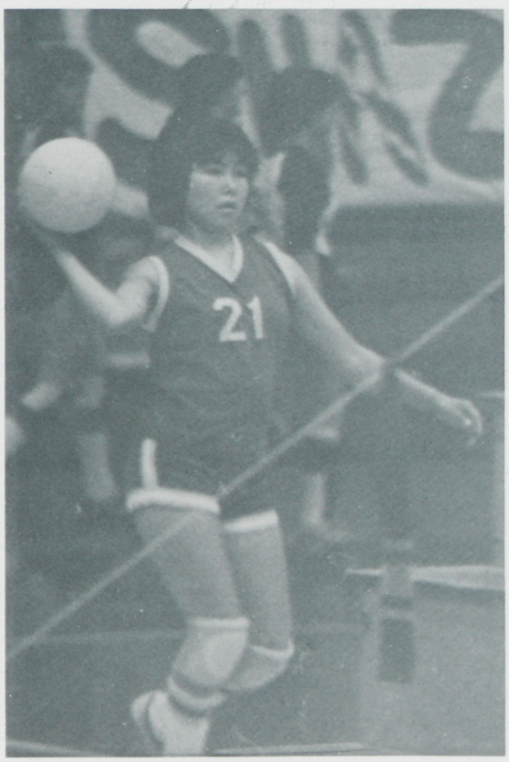
Seasons Record

PLACE	BOYS	GIRLS
Mt. Edgecumbe	2nd	2nd
Juneau	3rd	3rd
Wrangell	2nd	3rd
S.E. Regional at Sitka	2nd	3rd

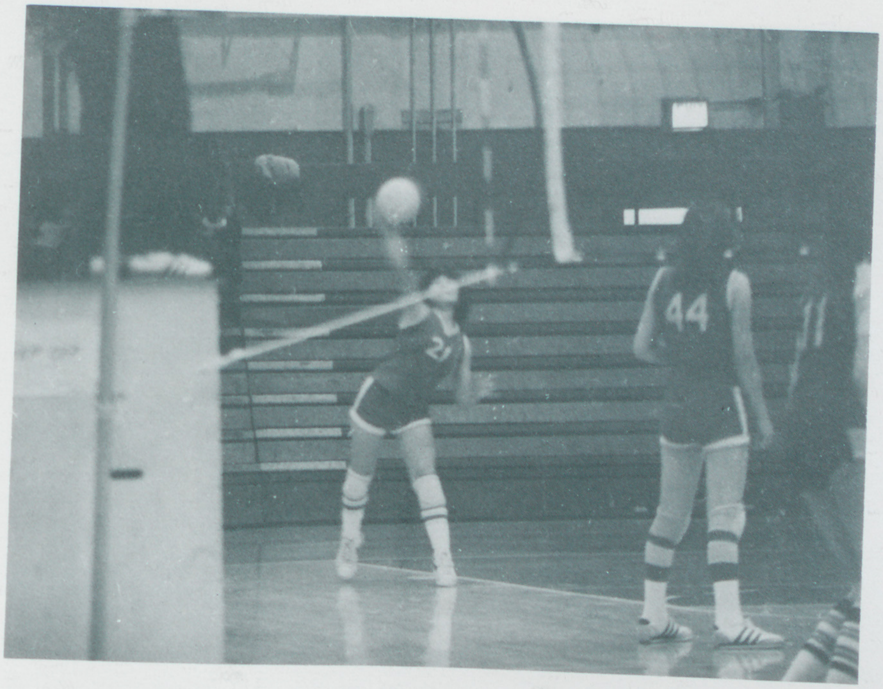
(Top L-R): Leading 1st seven are Waska Williams, Bobby Williams, Ernest Kashatok, Louie Kinegak, Charlie Spud, Nick Gilila, and Willie Phillip.

Girls that remained throughout the season. Kneeling: Mari Jim, Agnes Williams, and Georgia Philemonof. Standing: Coach Davies, Joyce Pete, Delores Pitka and Juanita Petla.

The last seven that ended the season. Standing: Coach Davies, Waska Williams, Troy Tittle, Peter Valka, and Bobby Williams. Kneeling: Ernest Kashatok, Nick Gilila, and Charlie Spud.



VOLLEYBALL TEAM PLACES FOURTH IN CONFERENCE



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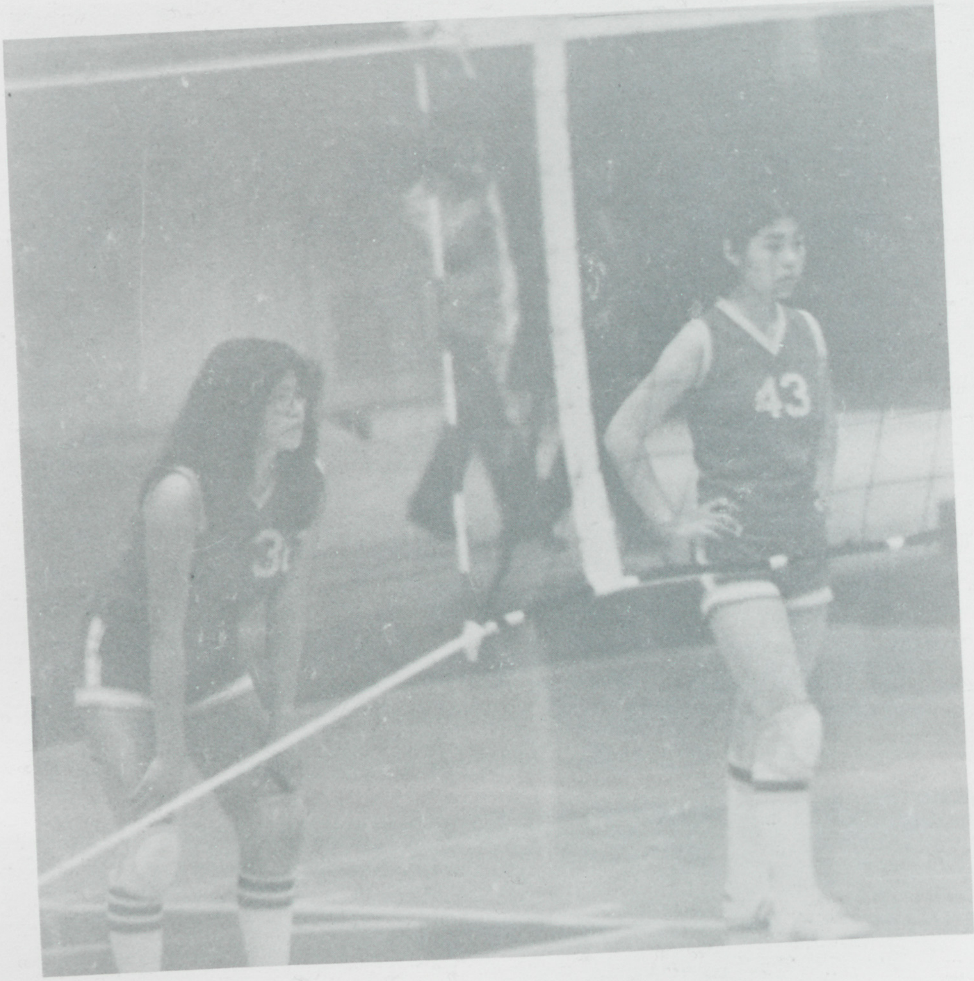

This year's Volleyball season was a good one for Mt. Edgecumbe High School. Winning was not always easy for the twelve girls who set up and spiked their way to a Fourth Place finish in the Conference.

The pre-season Tournament held at Mt. Edgecumbe enabled the coaches from the ten participating high schools to get a good look at their future opponents. Mt. Edgecumbe tied for second place in that tournament and finished the season behind Sitka, Wrangell and Ketchikan.

ALASKA DAY

The Alaska Day Parade was a great event for Mt. Edgecumbe again this year. For the first time in several years, there was no rain, although there were a few clouds overhead. The Mt. Edgecumbe Brave Band was outstanding and won first place for the third time since 1977. The Mt. Edgecumbe Drill Team placed second in the parade. Part of the Alaska Day festivities included the "Run for Fun" race in which Mt. Edgecumbe's own Charlie Spud and Juanita Petla came in first place.

Other events which followed the parade included the Coast Guard rescue demonstration and the Changing of the Flag.

Congratulations go out to all the students who participated in the events.

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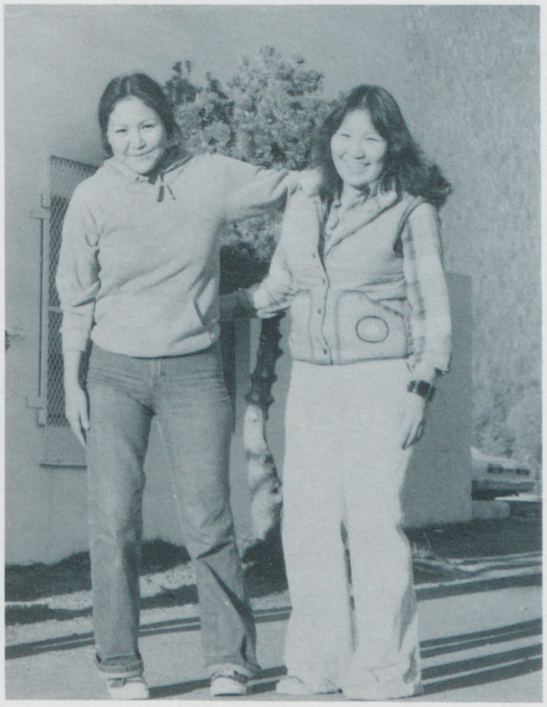

(Opposite page): Halloween is a frightful time! From the looks of these ghoulies, we can tell why they don't get dates!

(Above): "What would we be without our friends?"

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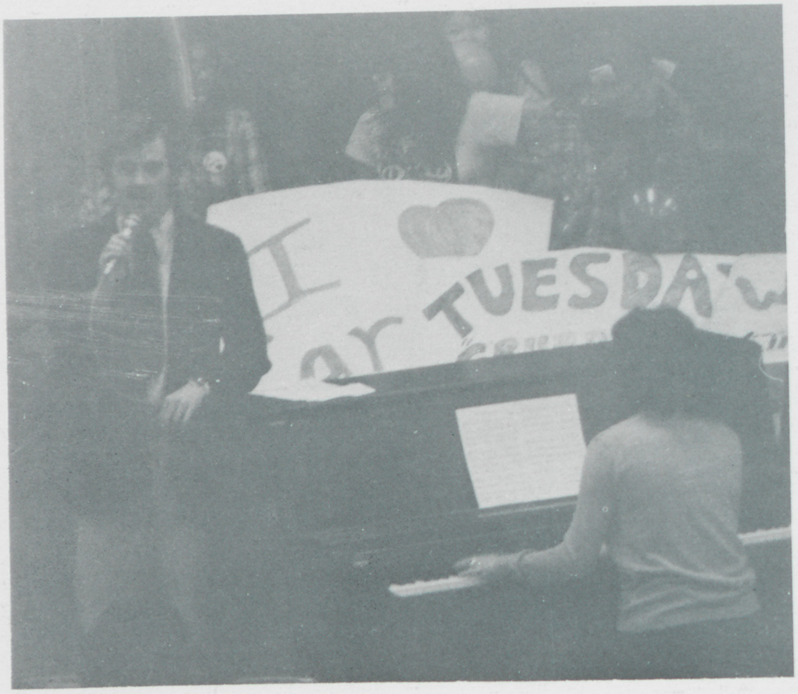
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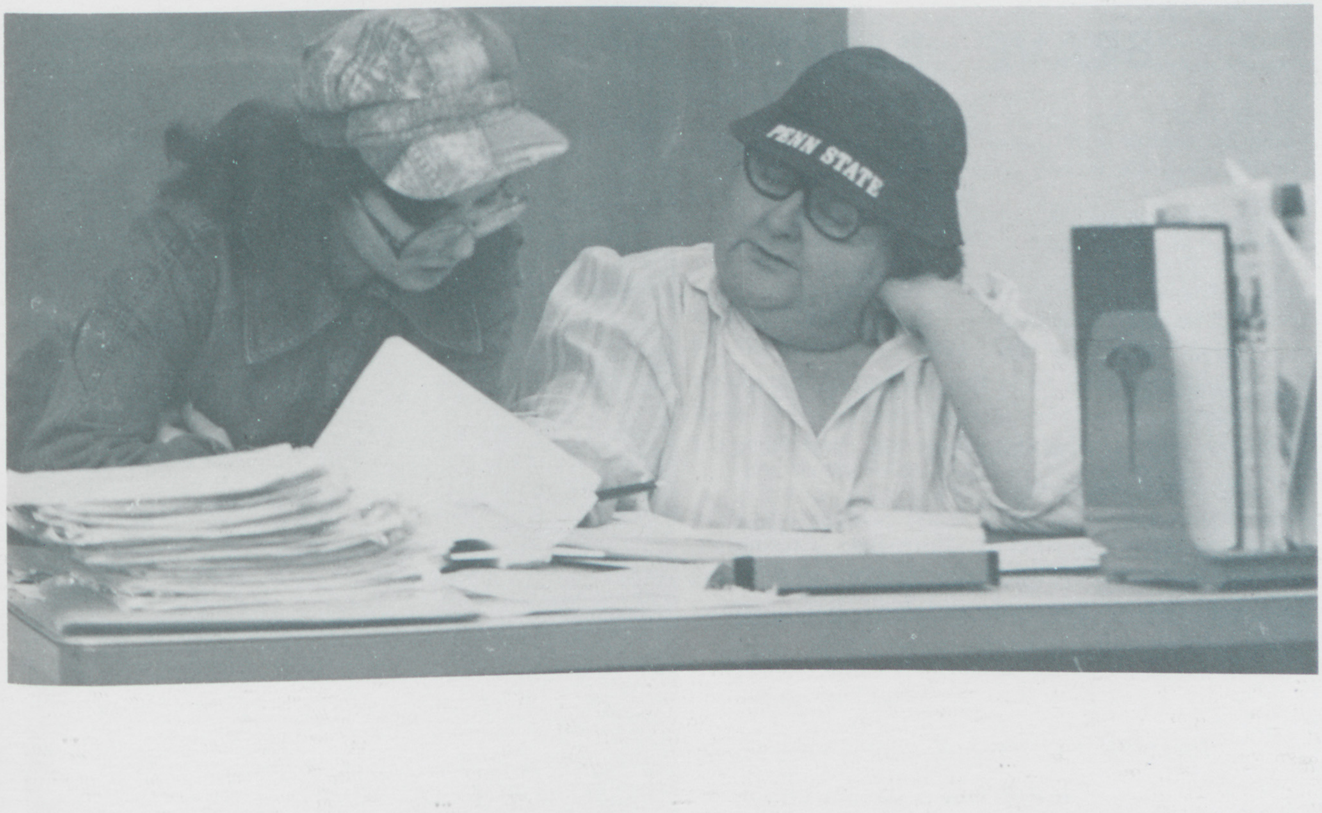
Crazy Hats n' Socks Day? Give A Hug Day? Has Mt. Edgecumbe High School flipped?

Not really. In an effort to promote spirit within the school community, students and teachers were challenged to take part in various activities during "I Care" Week. Created and implemented by Student Council officers Julie Petro, Lena Toolie, & Jeri Komonaseak, "I Care" Week was kicked off with a rousing assembly *Complete* with balloons, pom-poms, cheers, and song (courtesy of Mr. Hawk). Here, the students were told how they could show their school spirit by participating in daily events such as Trash Clean-Up Day, School Colors Day, as well as those previously mentioned.

Said Superintendent Mr. Demmert, "I think it was good that our students initiated and participated in "I Care" Week. With such a big difference in attitude around our school, I consider this special week a great success."

"I CARE" WEEK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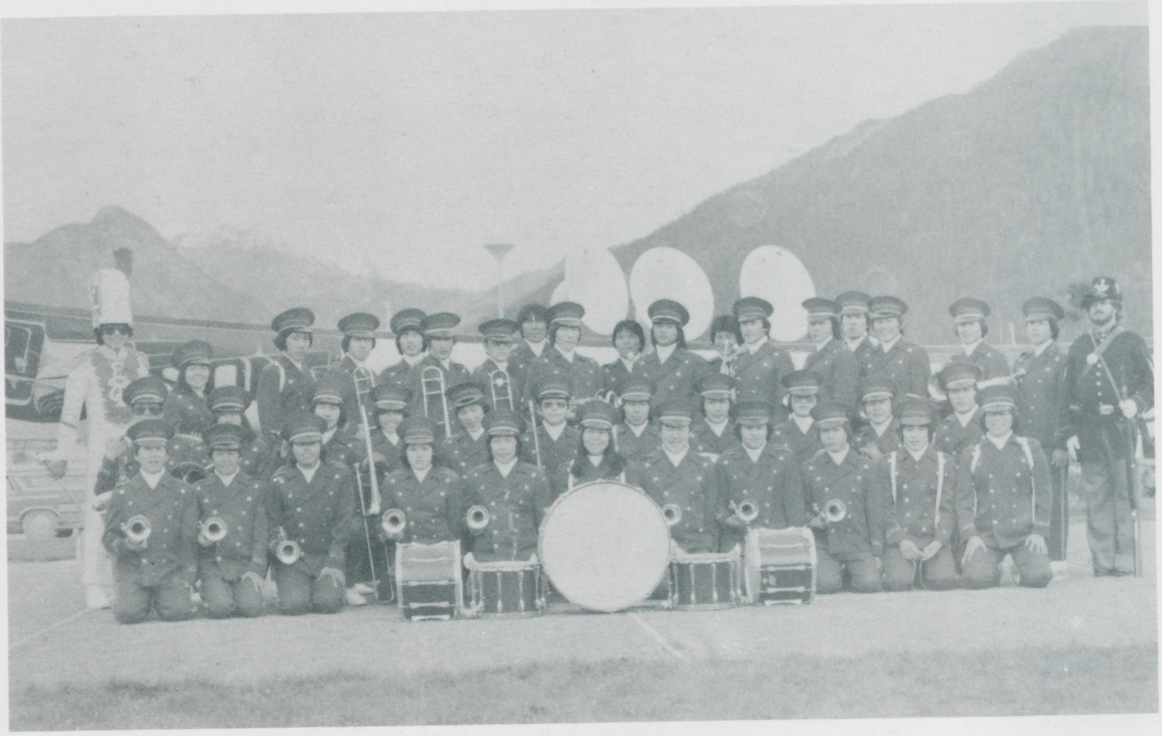
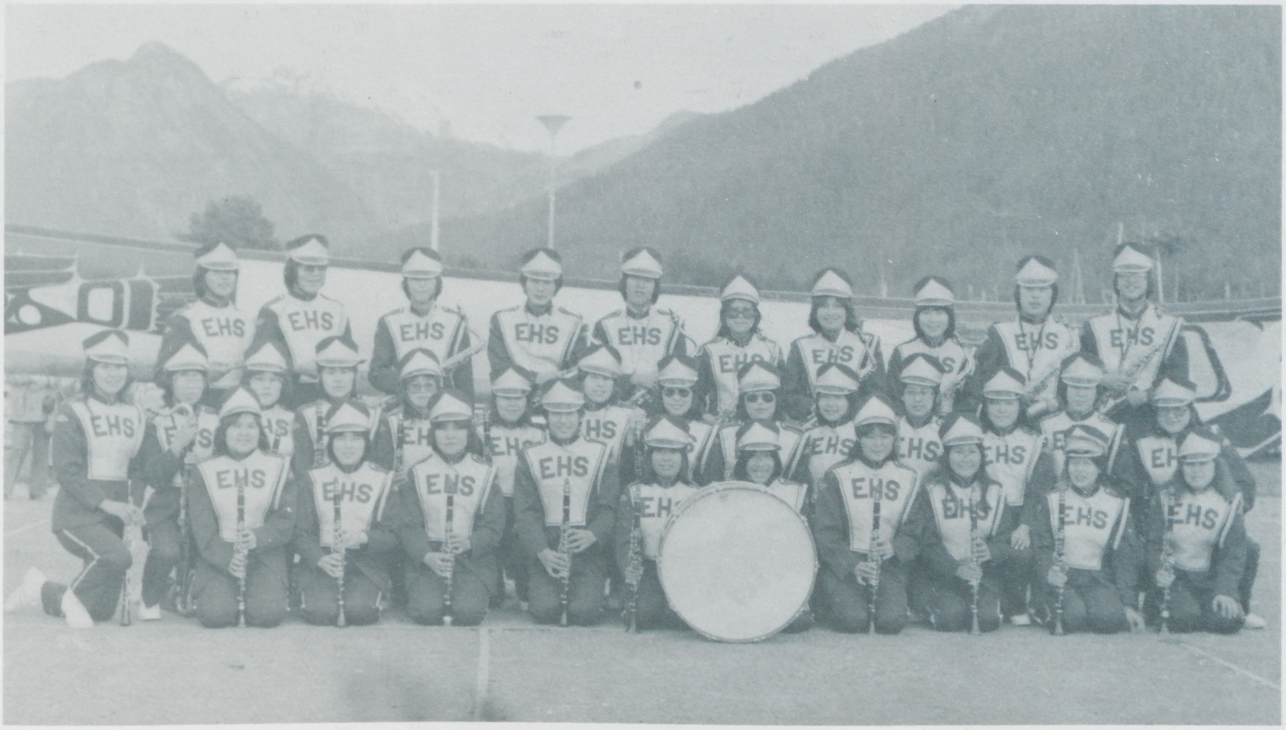
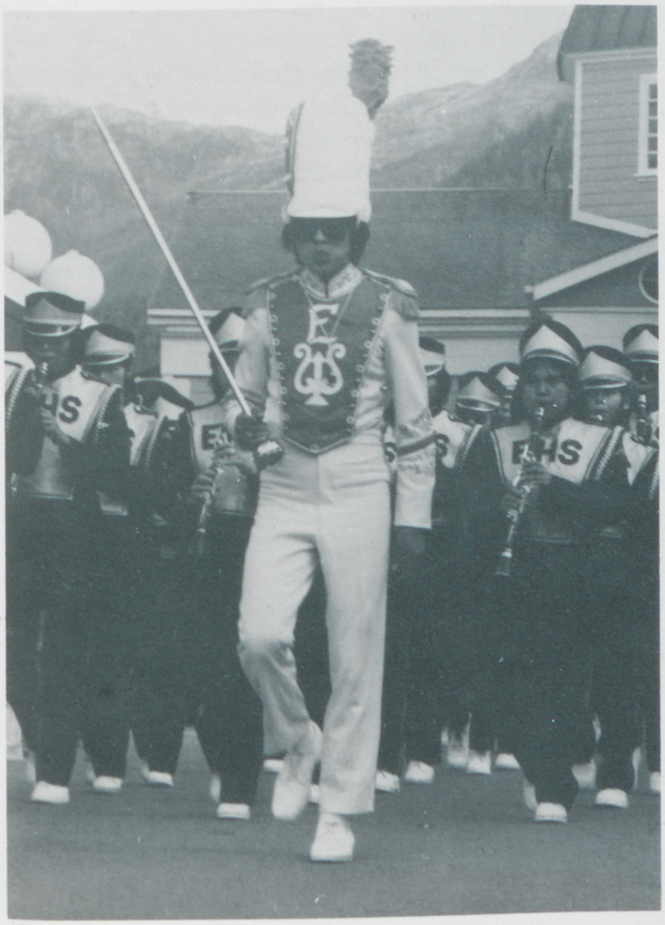


BRAVE BAND

The Mt. Edgecumbe "Brave Band" had a large beginning this year. A total of 74 members marched in the Alaska Day Parade on October 18. The rousing melody of "I Got Rhythm" helped the group win First Place for the third consecutive year.

In November Mari Jim, Bass Clarinetist, travelled to Petersburg, Alaska after being selected as the only "Brave" Bandmember to the Southeast Alaska Honor Band.



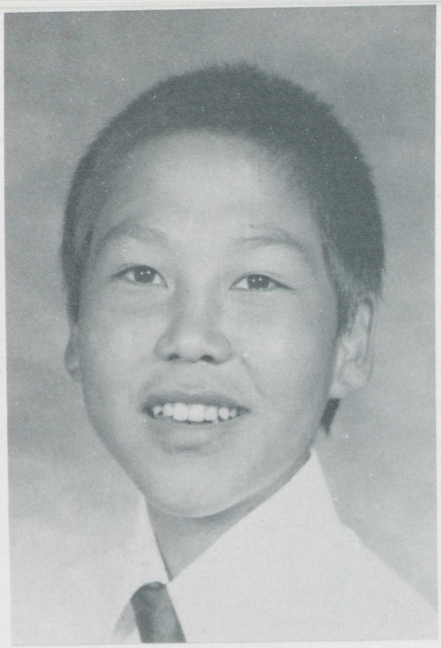


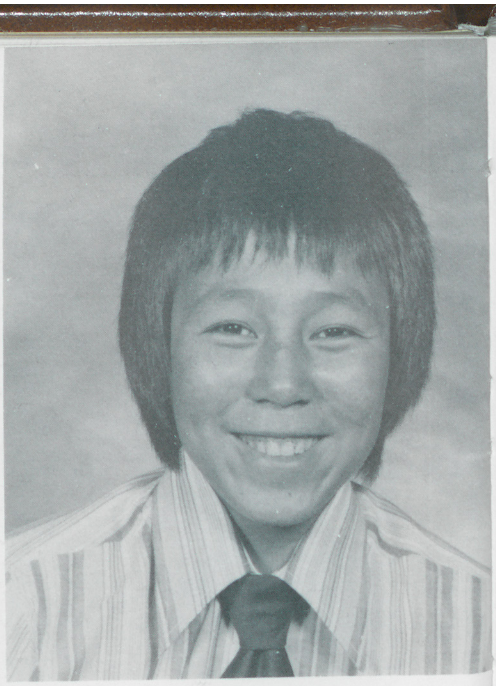
(Opposite Page) 1st Row (L-R): Evan Nicolai, Paul Guy, Daniel Charles, Anna Redfox, Lanny Moore, Anna Nicolai, Louie Kinegak, Arthur Redfox, Matthew Enoch, Richard Simon, and Joe Ayagalria.
2nd Row (L-R): Bobby Japhet, Job Yohak, Nicolai Alexie, Herman Phillip, Phillip Nick, Michael Michael, Gary Ivanoff, Bobby Guy, Nelson Kasayulie, Bryan Amos, and Adam Alfred.
Back Row (L-R): Luther Oscar (Drum Major), Frieda Waska, Marty Segock, Peter Yukluk, Joe Nick, Arnold Nicolai, Daniel Mute, Jimmy Andrew, John Owens, Roderick Oktoyak, Kenny Phillip, Jake Redfox, Joey Miller, Frederick Joseph, Mike Seal, Evan Olick, Andrew Lupie, Charlie Charlie, and Mr. Coursey.

(Above) 1st Row Kneeling (L-R): Nellie Alexie, Marie Noah, Anna George, Nicholas Triplett, Janel Philemonof, Roman Nicolai, Bernice Evan, Elizabeth Guy, Sandra Solomon, and Elizabeth Joseph.
2nd Row (L-R): Eva Kapotak, Mari Jim, Alice Walcott Kathy Dushkin, Nelda Akelkok, Monica Joseph, Basi Zacharof, Helen Spein, Bernadette Moses, Agne Williams, Vivian Johnson, Sophie Owens, Jerry Peterson and Lydia Andrew.
Back Row (L-R): Chris P. Alexie, Grant Kashatok Willie Phillip, Waska Williams, Gusty McCarr, Anni Phillip, Agnes Gregory, Martha Peter, Melvin Joseph and George Charles.

(Opposite bottom) Mr. Coursey on Alaska Day.

(Left) Luther Oscar leads the way.



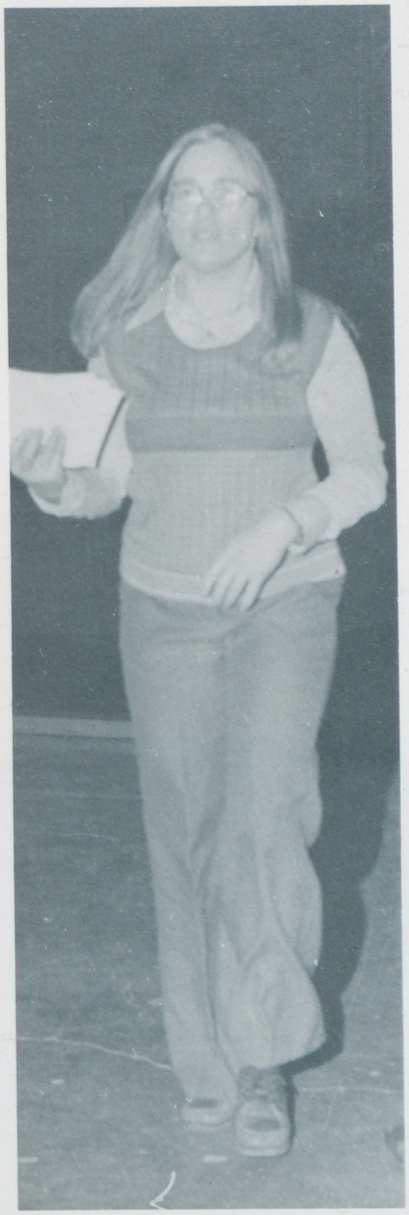


MANY PERSONAL VICTORIES FOR THE SWIMMERS

Although the swim team failed to score points in the Tri-Meets, there were many personal victories at the Southeast Swim Meet in Juneau.

Tomi Lord, our only girl, took two seconds off her 50 yard free stroke and ten seconds off her 100 yard breast stroke. Evan Nicolai took off one second in his 50 yard free stroke and nine seconds off his 100 yard free stroke. Varlaam Jackson, the most improved swimmer, took three seconds off his 50 yard free stroke and twenty seconds off his 100 yard back stroke. The only record to fall was the 500 yard free stroke which was held by Basil Zacharof. Ed Kinegak broke the record with a time of 6:54.75.

The letter winners for the 1979 Mt. Edgecumbe Swim Team were Tomi Lord, Evan Nicolai, and Varlaam Jackson.



"But I was nowhere near the Canteen during third period," replied Isabel Cleveland.

Miss Hilfiker just received her Incentive Award.

That itchy feeling.

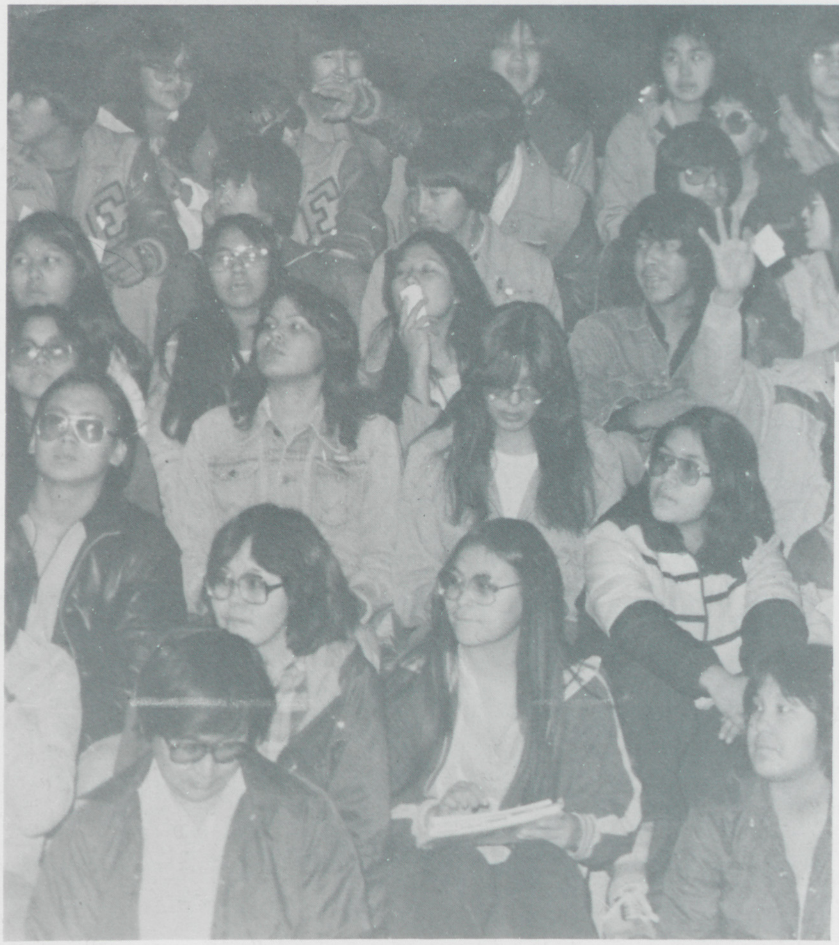
CARNIVAL

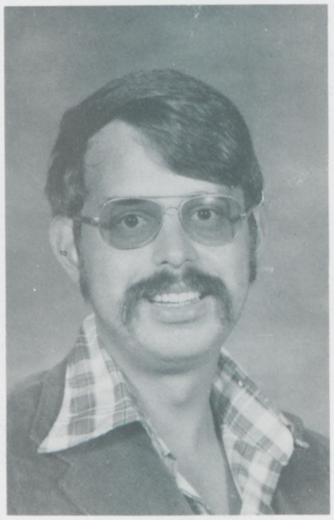
"It's a good experience for the students to put the Carnival together and have it work," said Mr. Briggs. The Carnival was held October 26 & 27 and was sponsored by the Boys' and Girls' Basketball teams. The students supervised the booths while many volunteers helped set up, run, and clean up afterwards.

Along with the usual booths such as toss-a-ring, wheel of fortune, the coin toss, bingo and the Carnival Jail, there was cloud nine and bowling. Although there weren't as many booths or people as years before, there were better prizes which were donated by the Sitka businessmen. Donations included pop, T-shirts, hats, nuts & bolts, a basketball, and snow tires.

Comments by students were positive, as Grant Kashatok said, "It gives me something else to do and it's fun." As Mr. Nutting summed it up, "The Carnival couldn't be successful without everyone's help."

COACHES' CORNER





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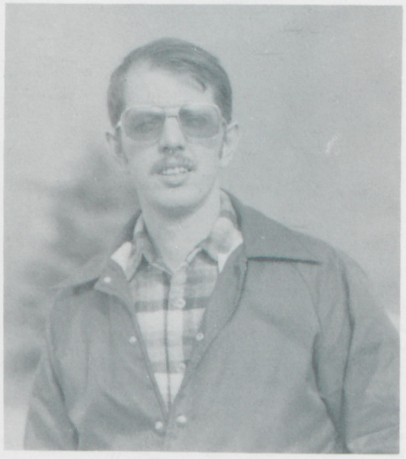


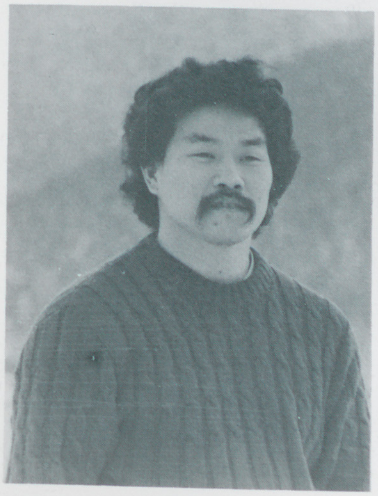
Sports play an important part in the education of students at Mt. Edgecumbe High School, and the coaches spend many hours helping team members gain skill in their sport.

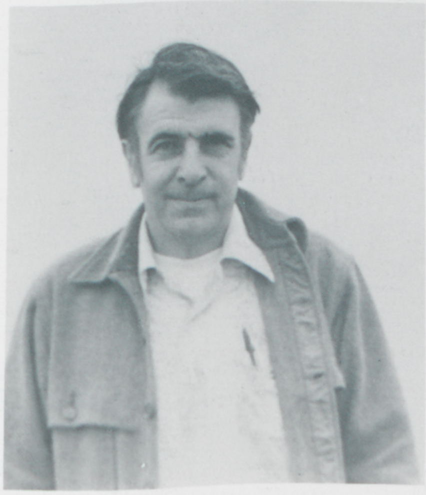
As well as physical development, students participating in a sport learn discipline, self-control, team work, respect for their school, and good sportsmanship. Coaches stress the interdependence of the students' physical, mental and social skills, and conduct - both on and off the field. A team member applies the skills he develops in his sport to everyday life.

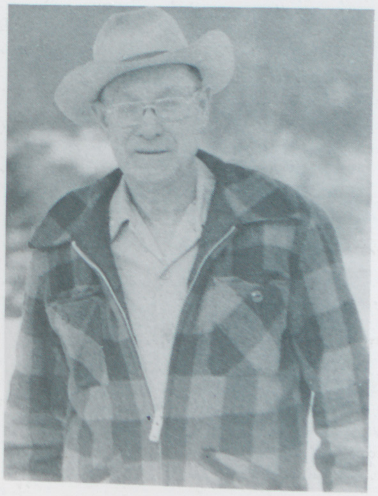
"I expect the best from each of you, but only you yourself will really know if you give it." - Coach Davies.

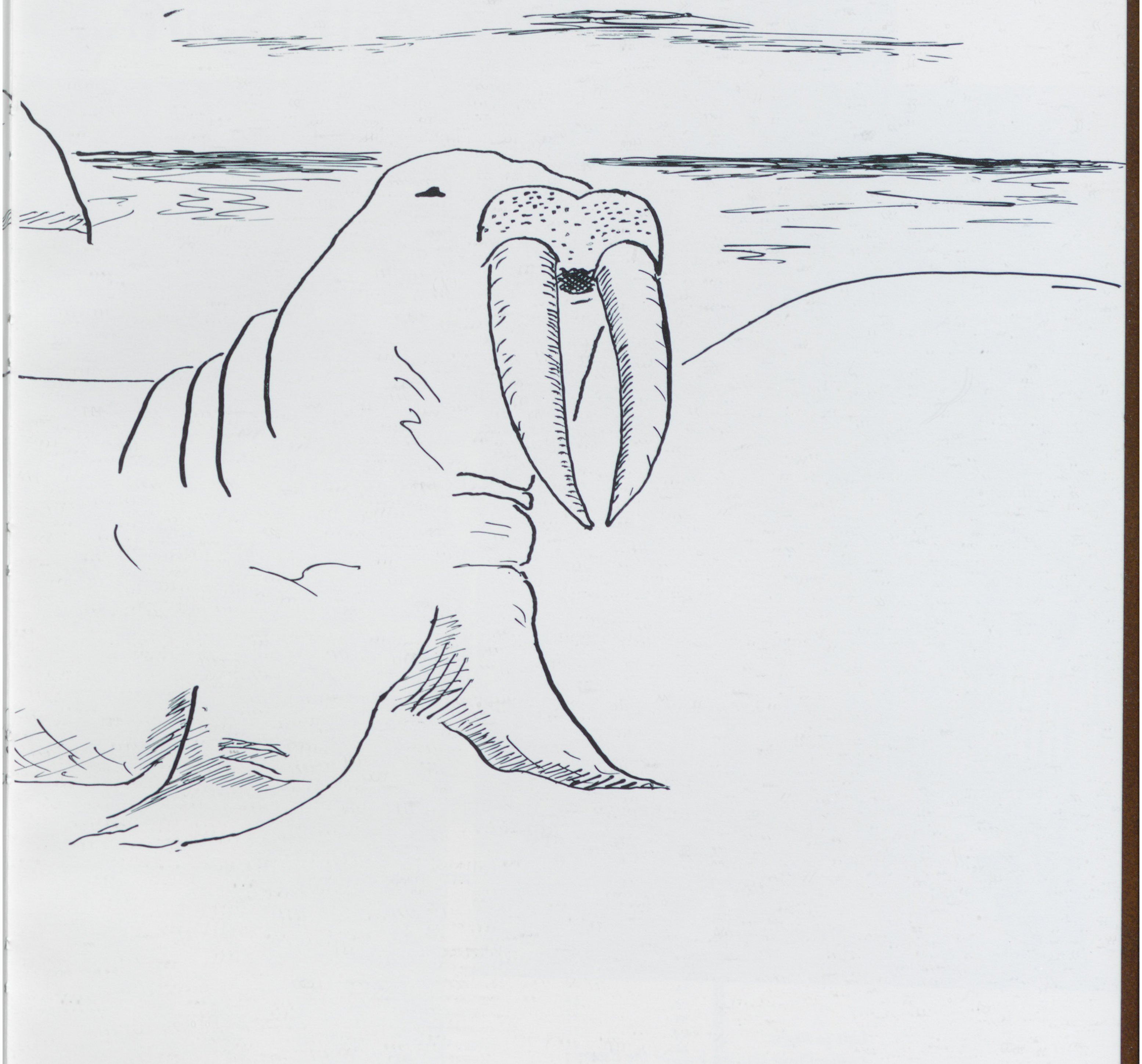
"You get to know the staff and their families more - and learn a lot from them." - Donna Kious.

Opposite page (middle) : Mr. Davies; bottom (L-R): Mr. Briggs, Mr. Nutting & Mr. Myers.
Top: Mr. McGee and Mr. Gaston.
Middle: Mr. Saito and Mr. Slats.
Bottom: Mr. Stevens, Mr. Fahey and Mr. Thrasher.

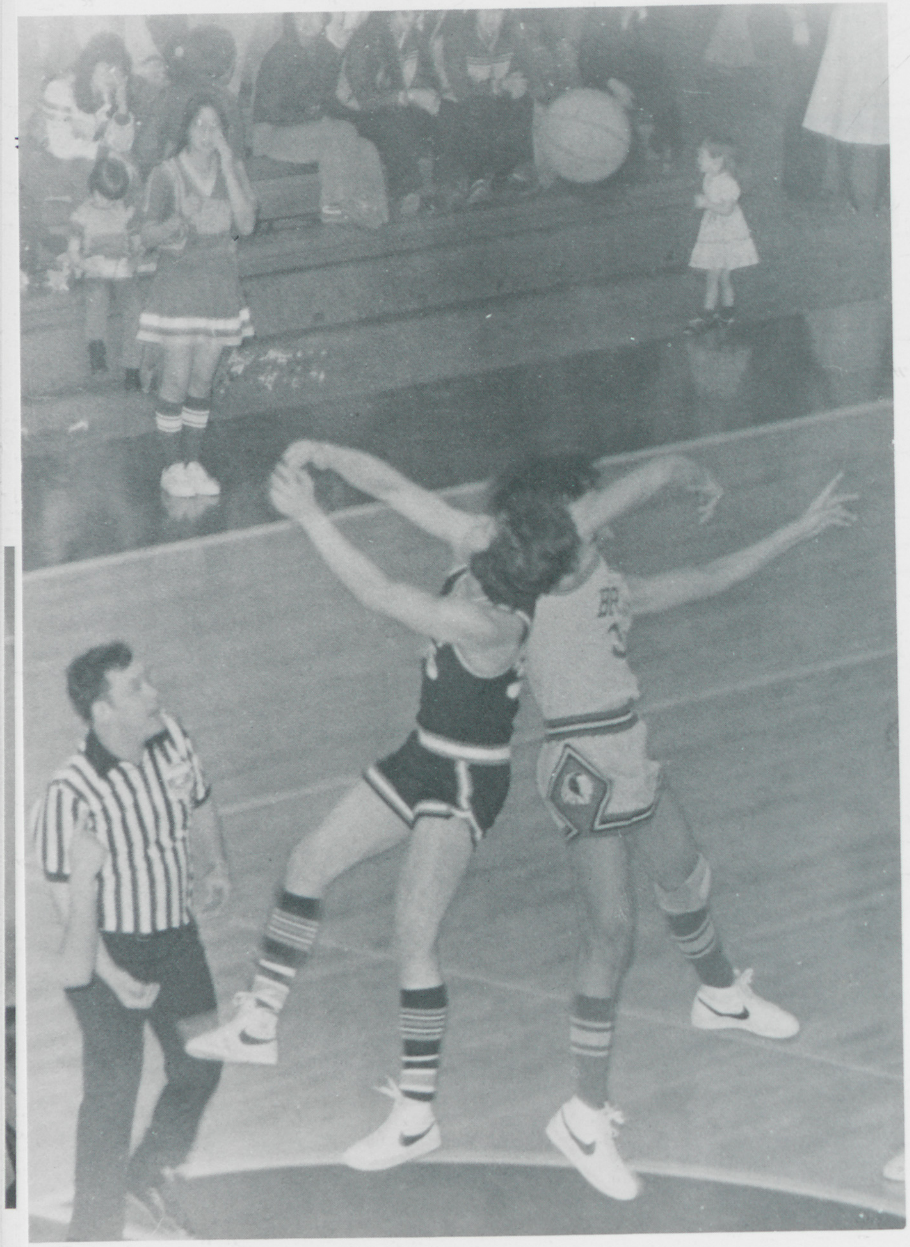


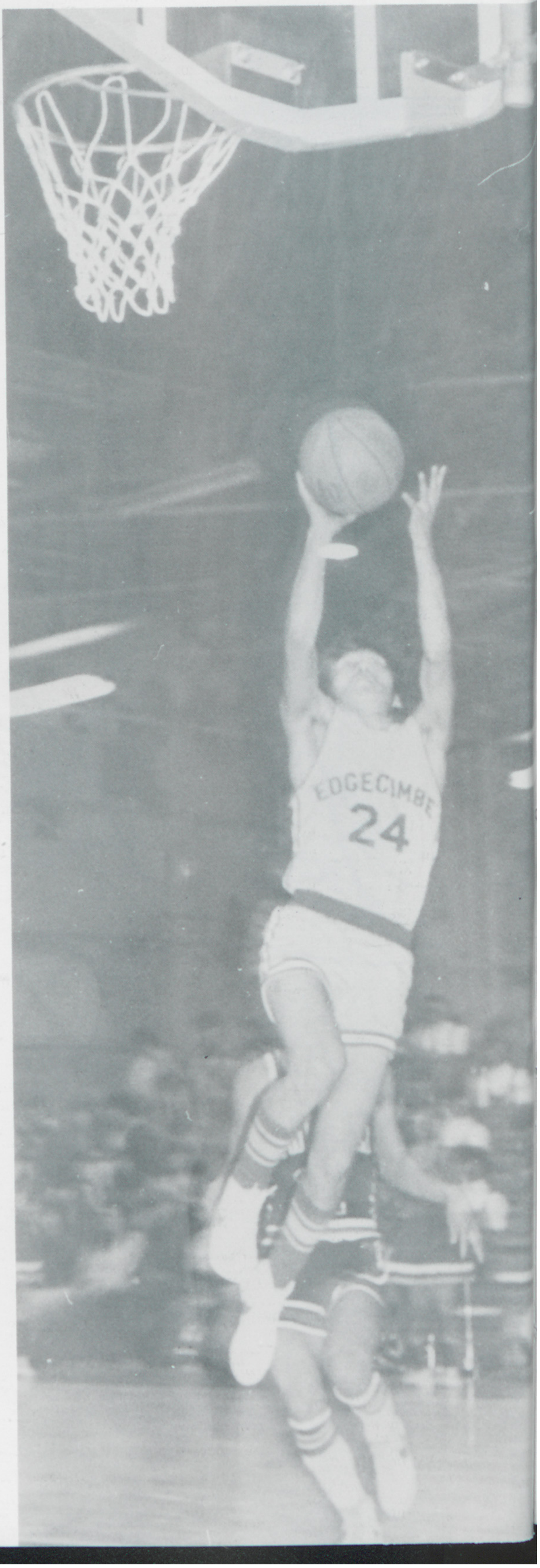






Braves Play With Spirit...





Left to Right:
Luther Oscar tips the ball for the Braves!

Waska Williams puts the ball where it belongs.

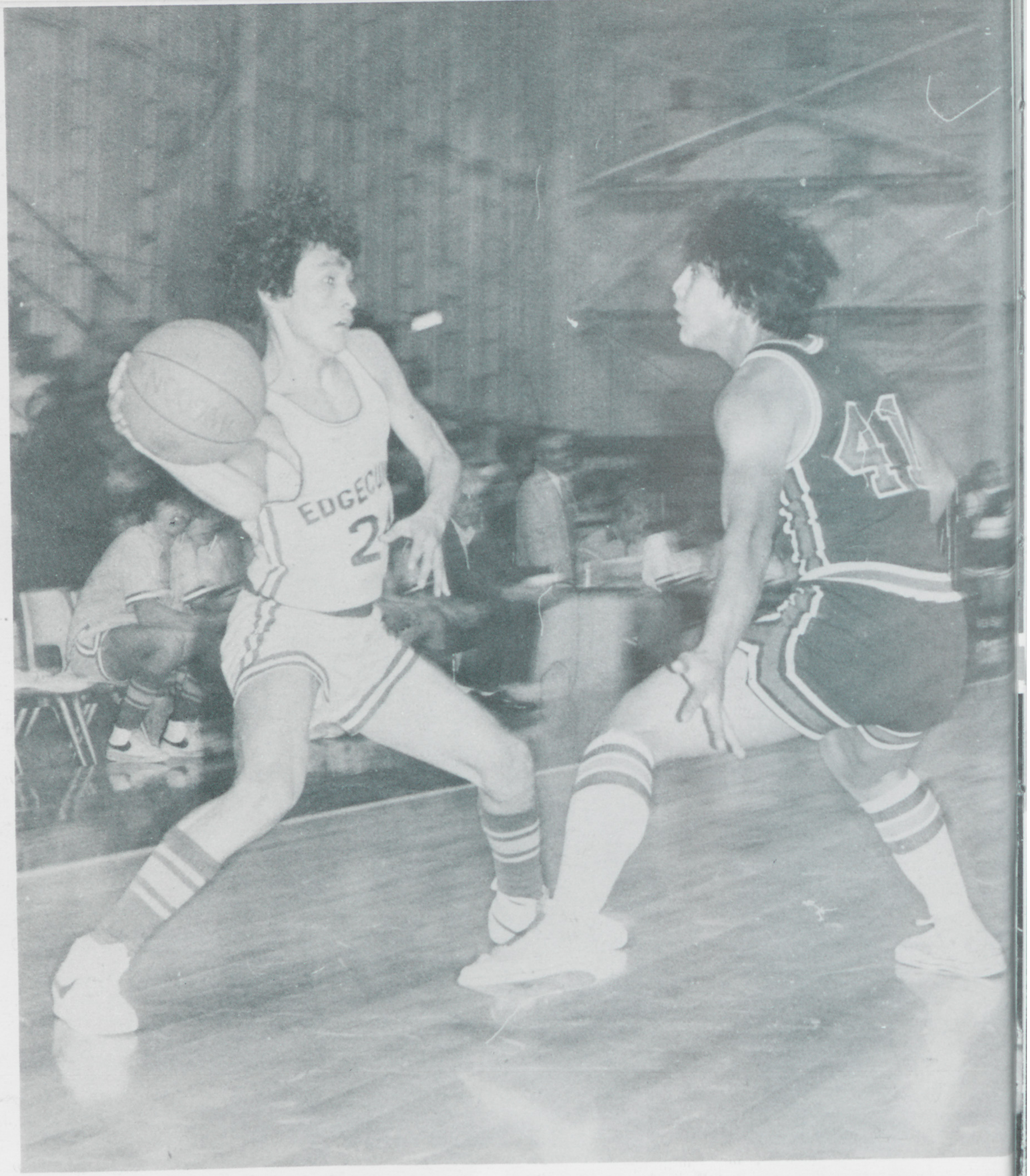
Fierce team action takes place as Waska takes the ball from Skagway.

SITKA SENTINEL(Lois Breedlove)

	Mt. Edgecumbe	Opponent
Angoon	55	51
Angoon	39	40
Kake	50	61
Kake	42	55
Craig	68	38
Thorne Bay	67	65
Thorne Bay	68	49
Hoonah	56	40
Hoonah	62	42
Skagway	54	63

	Mt. Edgecumbe	Opponent
Skagway	62	75
Yakutat	45	49
Yakutat	48	57
Bethel	58	78
Angoon	57	62
Angoon	59	65
Hoonah	73	41
Hoonah	78	71
Yakutat	40	38
Yakutat	51	57

SITKA SENTINEL(LOIS BREEDLOVE)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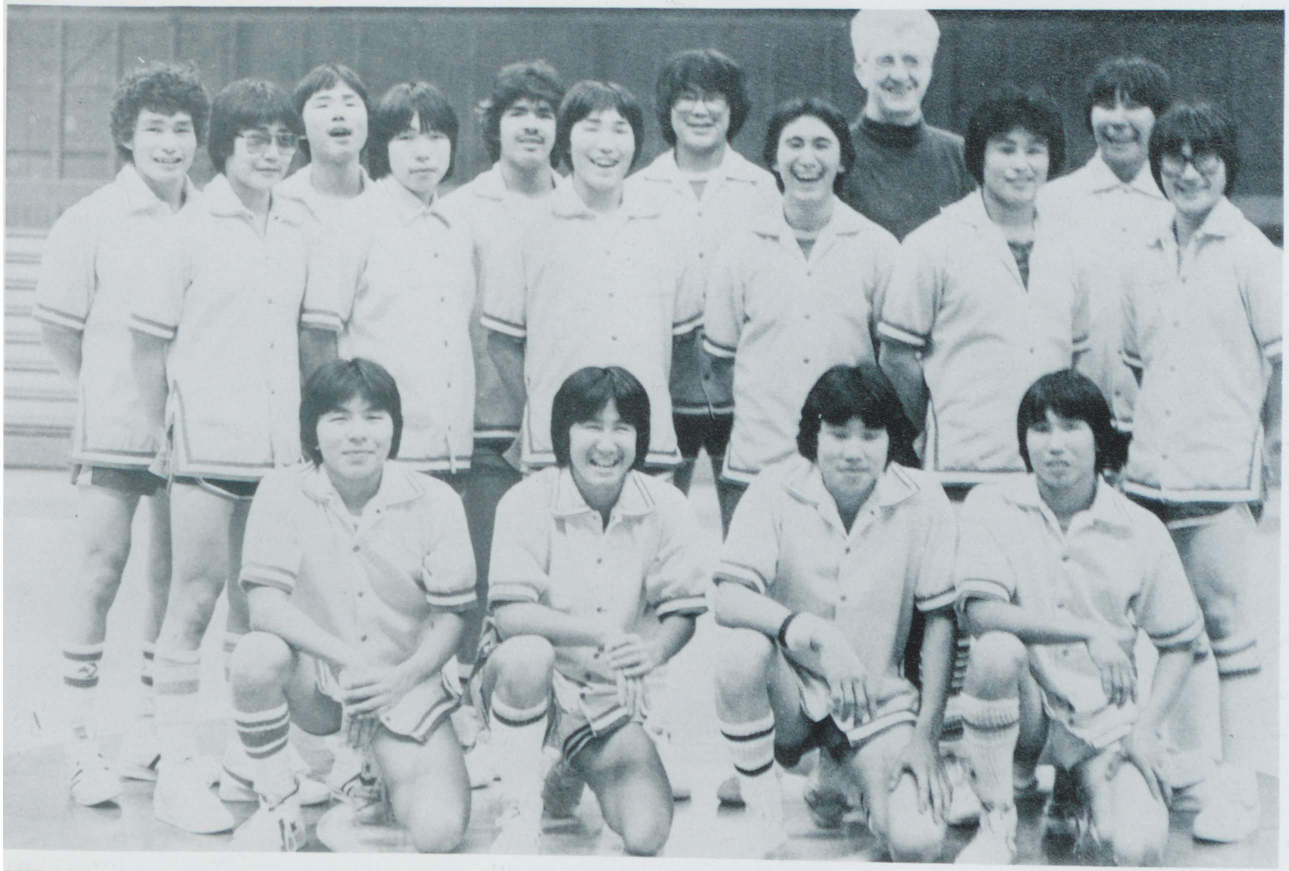

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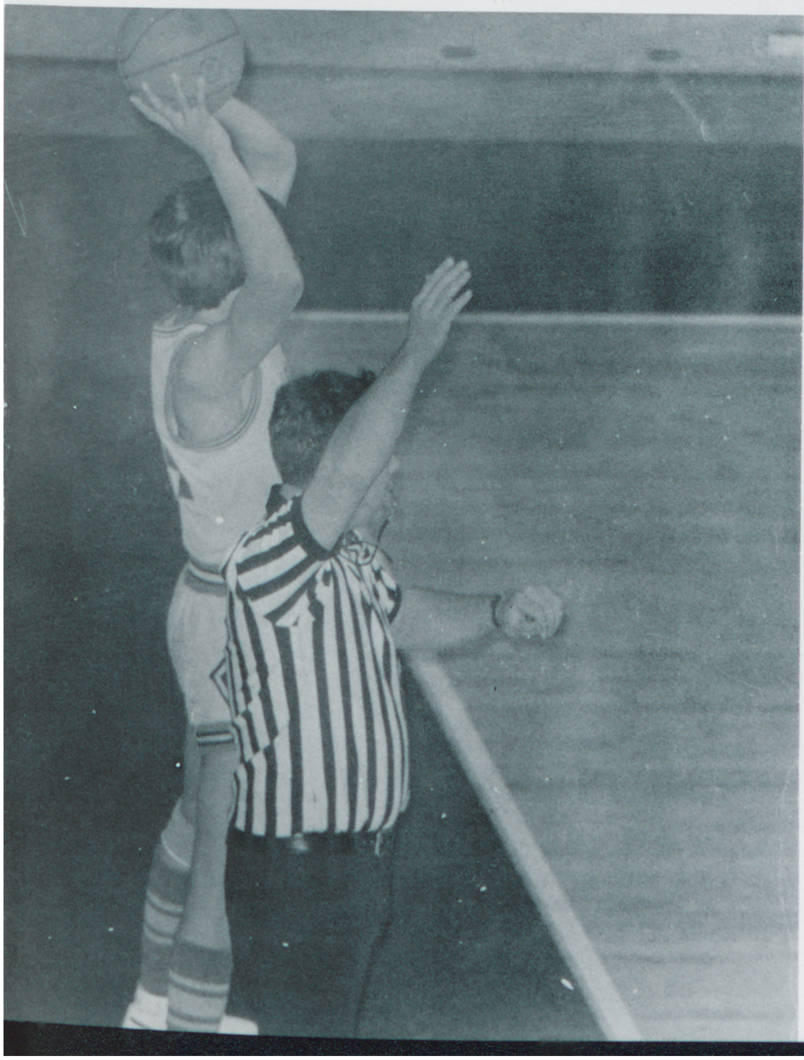

Clockwise.

Waska Williams dodges his opponent for a quick handoff

Back Row (L-R): Waska Williams, Joe Nick, Greg Nothstine, Luther Oscar, Coach Briggs, and Jimmy Andrew.
Middle Row: Ernest Kashatok, Bobby Williams, John Owens, Nick Gilila, Jake Redfox, Nelson Kasayulie.
Kneeling: Roderick Oktoyak, Charlie Spud, Joe Odinzoff, and Patrick Spein.

Luther Oscar slaps the ball and begins the play.

MT. EDGECUMBE
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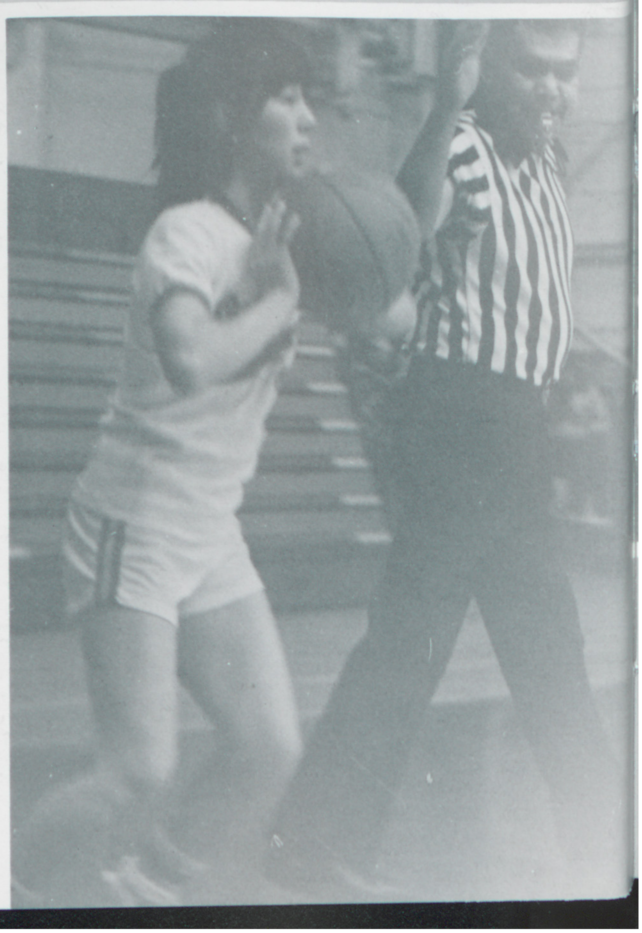

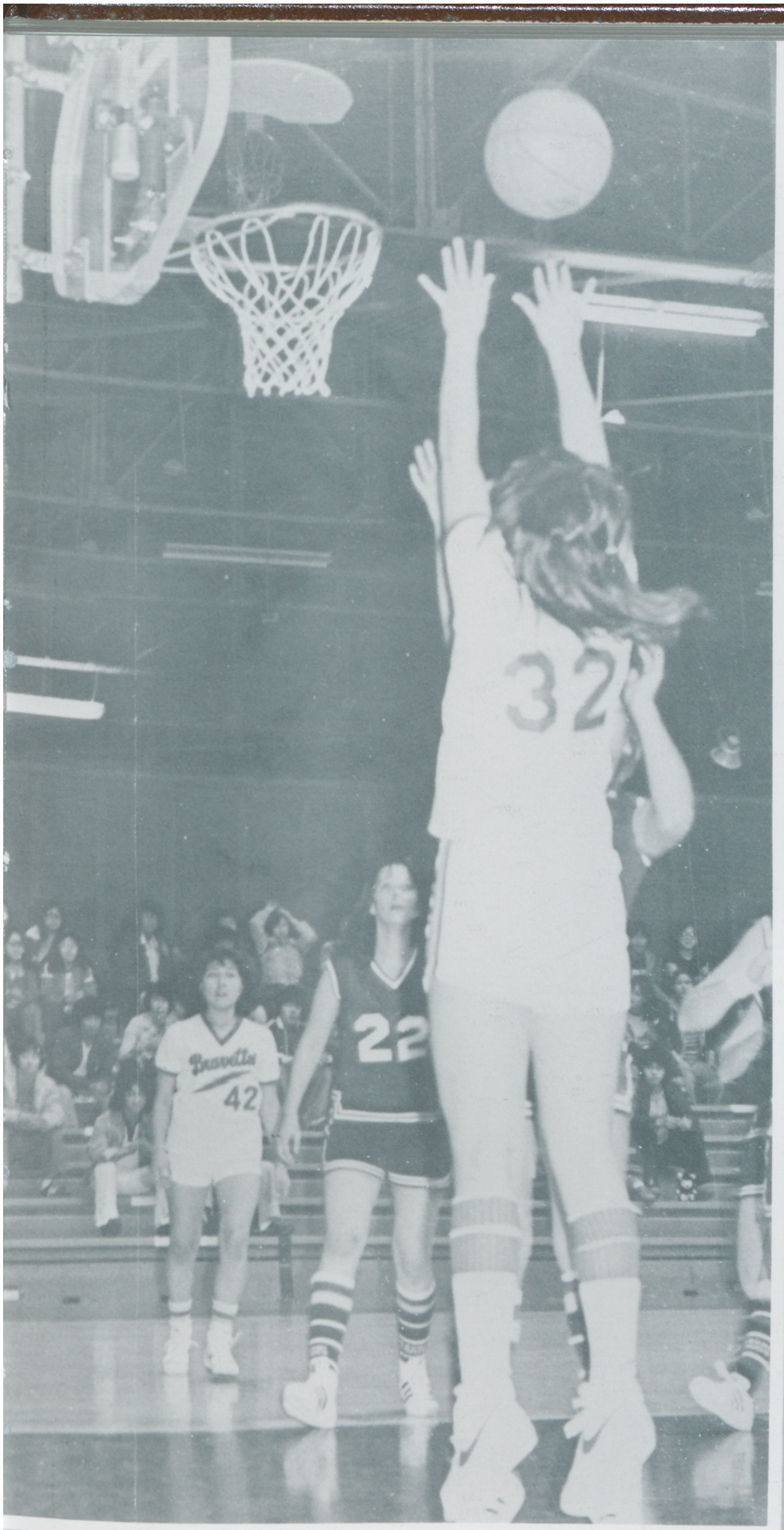
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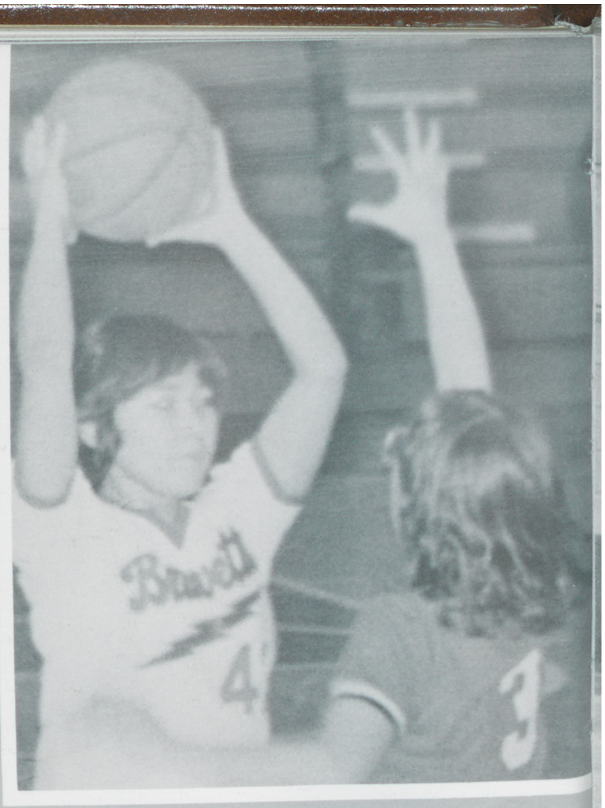
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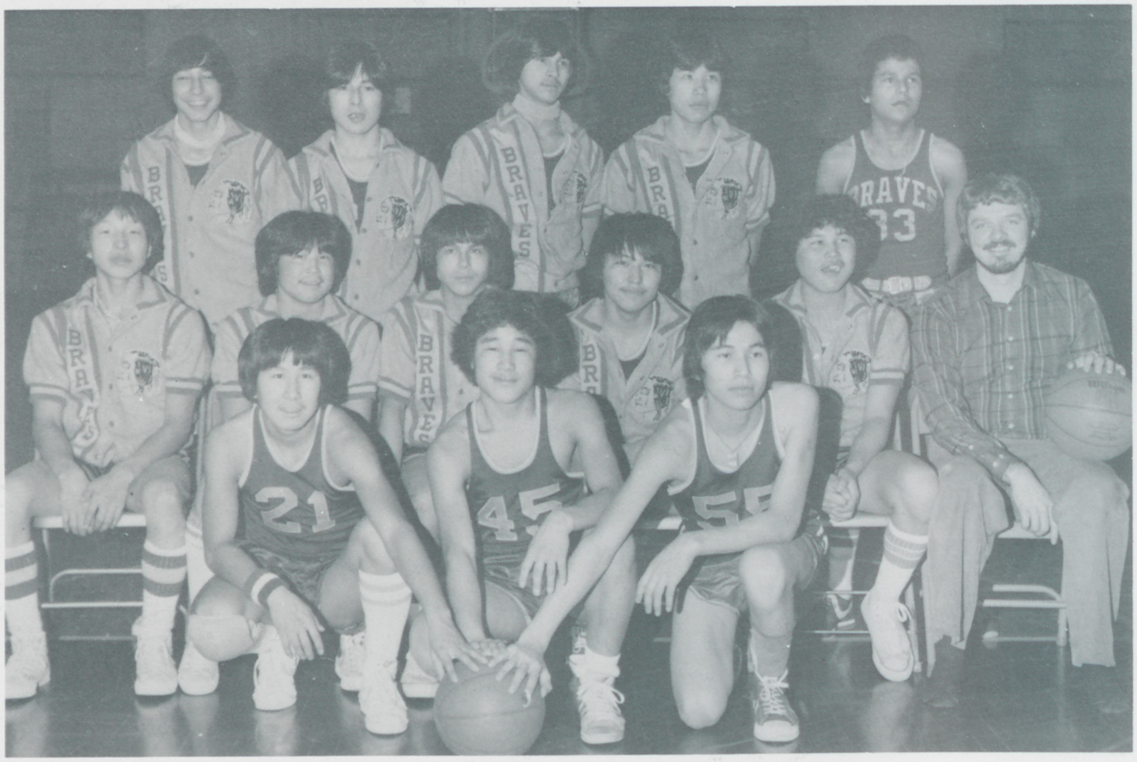
BASKETBALL JV TEAM



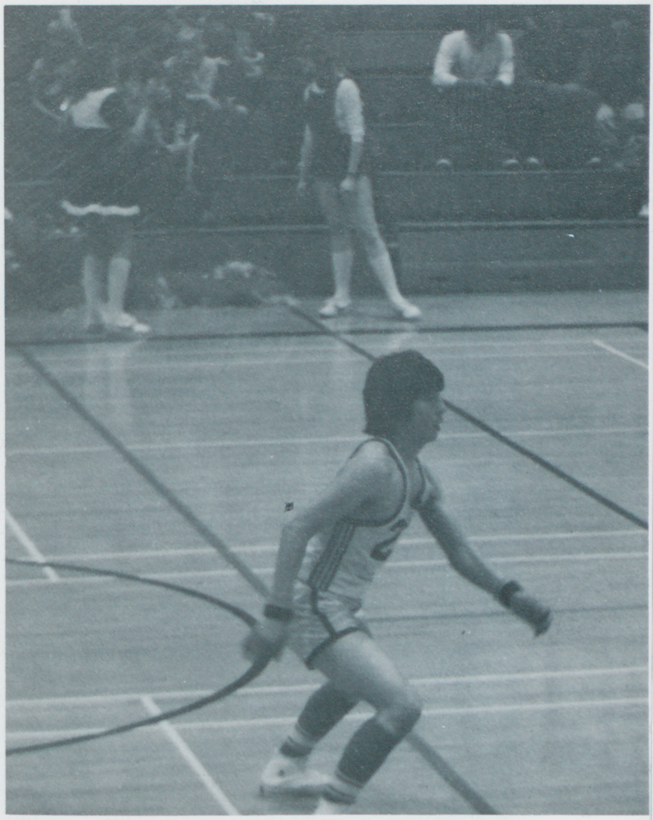
Back Row (standing): Nick Triplett, Richard Hunt, Peter Valka, Joe Odinzoff, Peter Melovidov. Middle Row: Andrew Lupie, John Nicolai, Terry Komonaseak, Evan Olick, Coach Gaston. Bottom Row: Charlie Spud, Harry Cheemuk, and Gary Aketachunak.

The Boys' J.V. Basketball team, coached by Mr. Gaston, had a successful year. In an exhibition game between our J.V.'s and Sitka, our boys gave them a run for their money before losing by three points, 45 - 48. This game proved our J.V.'s could be good competition for other opponents from the Southeast. The future for Mt. Edgecumbe basketball looks better all the time!

← *Our J.V. struggling for the ball.*

THE J V GIRLS

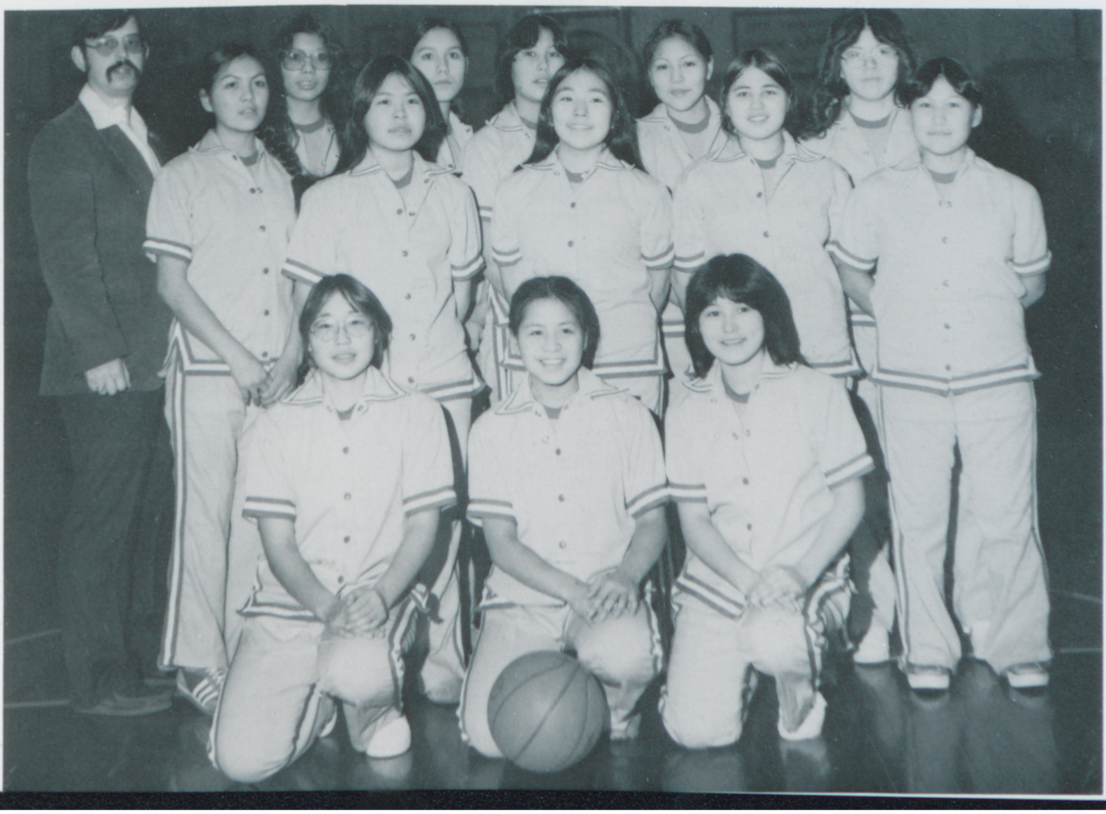
Referee calls a foul on opponent.



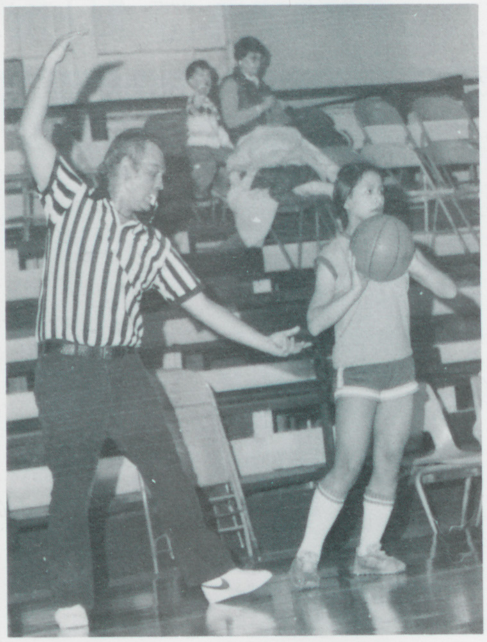
Richard Hunt running to help his teammates! Go Richard!!

Our Future Of Mt. Edgecumbe . . .

Pictured Below (L-R): Coach Davies, Isabelle Cleveland, Melissa Oatman, Delores Pitka, Kelly John, Dolly Custer, and Donna Kious. Second Row: Marilyn Oktoyak, Frieda Waska, Cindy Hamilton, and Margaret Phillips. Kneeling: Helen Spein, Georgia Philemonof and Anna Redfox.



Dolly Custer and Melissa Oatman keep the ball away from opponents.



Georgia Philemonof brings the ball in for the Bravettes.

The Girls' Junior Varsity program at Mt. Edgecumbe High School serves to develop the skills of the future varsity Bravettes. Coach Davies and the J.V.'s work hand in hand with the varsity team. The reason for this is so they will be ready to "move up" to the varsity and be prepared to play.

This year's J.V. squad has less experience than girls of past years but more potential. The girls are taller and seem to learn very quickly.

The J.V. team competes with junior varsity squads from Juneau, Wrangell, Sitka, Ketchikan, as well as other junior high, varsity and women's teams throughout Southeast Alaska.

Helen Spein finds herself surrounded by hungry Sitka Wolves.

J.V.Girls do their best to beat their opponents!!!

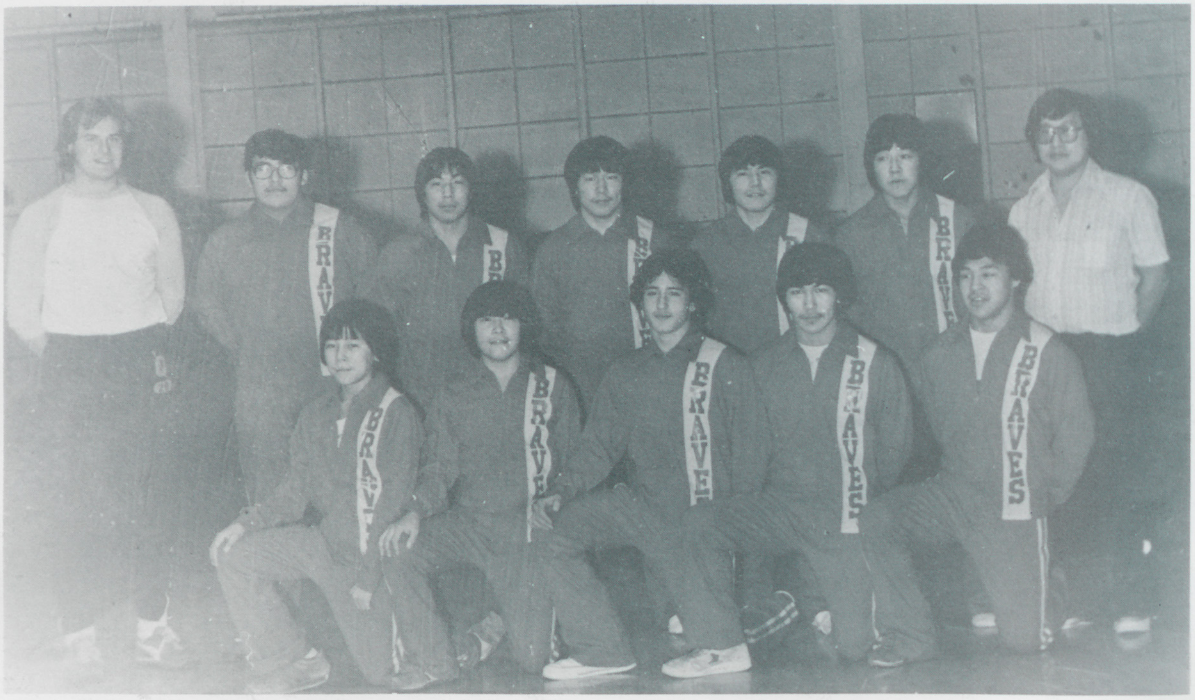
Cheerleaders Cheer for the BRAVES!!

The six Varsity Cheerleaders consist of Sophie Owens, Mari Jim, Grace Oldfriend, Helen Spein, Captain - Agnes Gregory, and Elizabeth Guy.

Throughout the basketball season, the girls kept the students cheering and the boys moving. They cheer for both the Boys' and Girls' Varsity teams. Agnes and Helen attended the Cheerleading Camp in Anchorage. The camp helps develop better leadership and cheering skills.

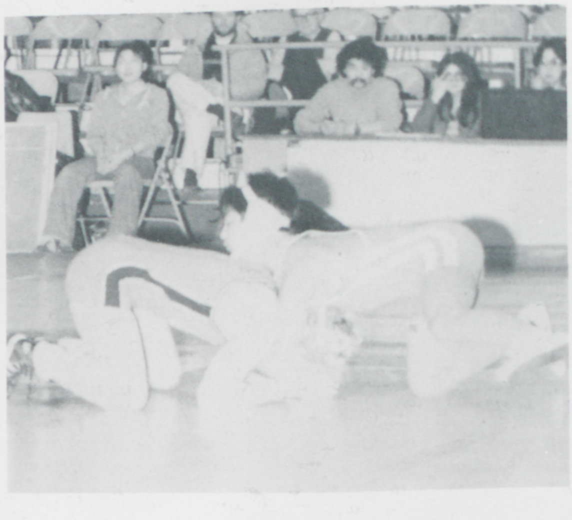
Our J.V. Cheerleaders are Anna Nicolai, Balassa Gregory, Ann Marie Nicolai, Janet Smoke, and Captain - Virginia Paul.

1980 wrestlers struggle



Varsity Wrestlers. (L-R): Assistant Coach Mr. Ambrosen, Nekita Hapoff, Gary Ivanoff, Louie Kinegak, Bryan Amos, Edward Kinegak, Coach Slats.
Front Row Kneeling: Varlaam Jackson, Paul Guy, Jeff Maupin, Bobby Guy & Tommy Lockwood.

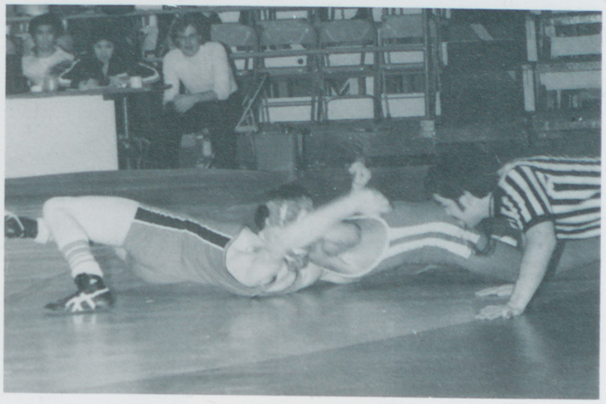
to beat competitors



With the wrestlers in top condition, ready and determined to win, the team travelled to Wrangell on the 7th of February for two days of competition. Several team members were victorious.

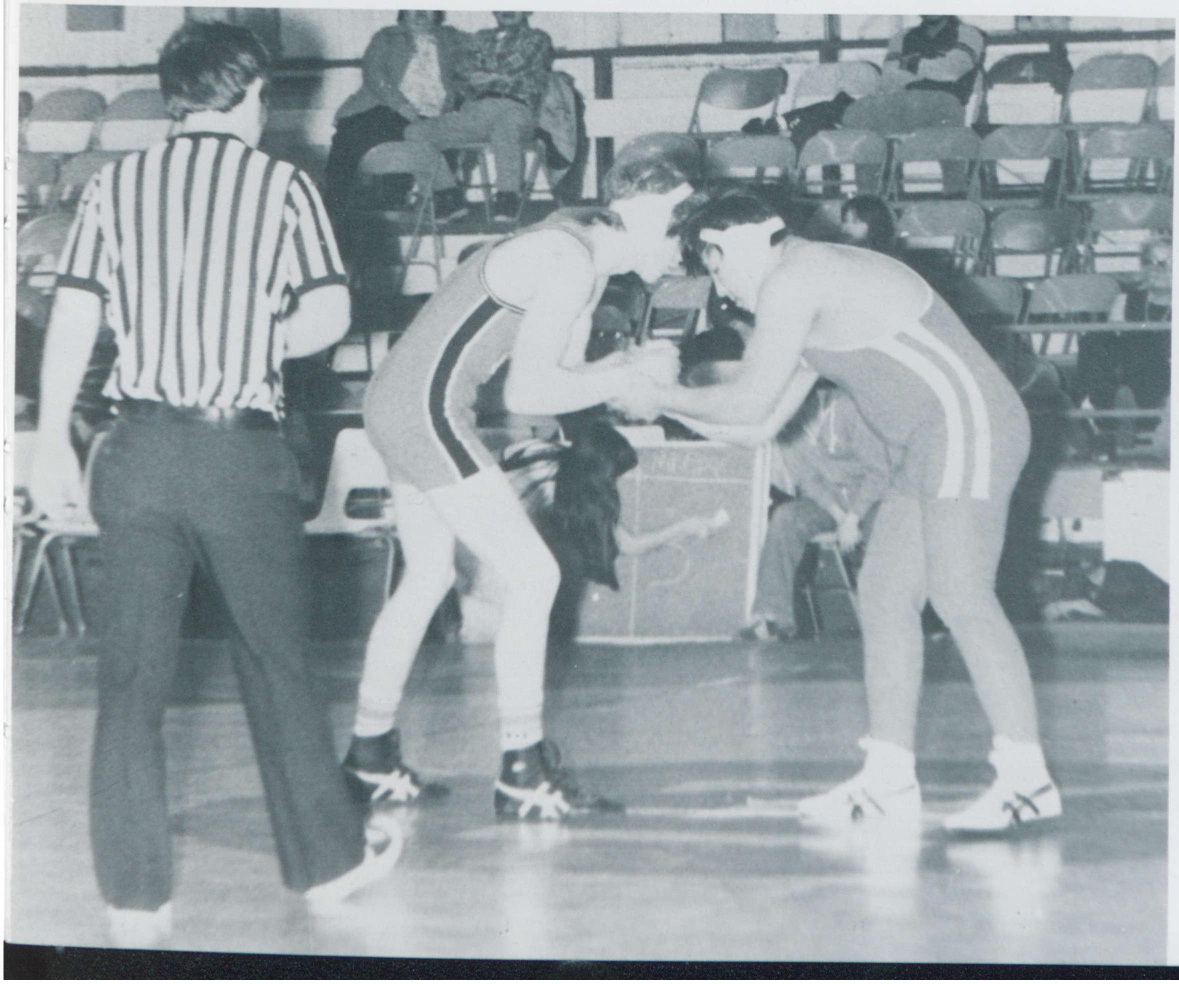
Head Coach Slats and assistants Mr. Saito and Mr. Ambrosen prepared the team about a month before competition began. The team seemed to be in better shape this year than last year at this time.

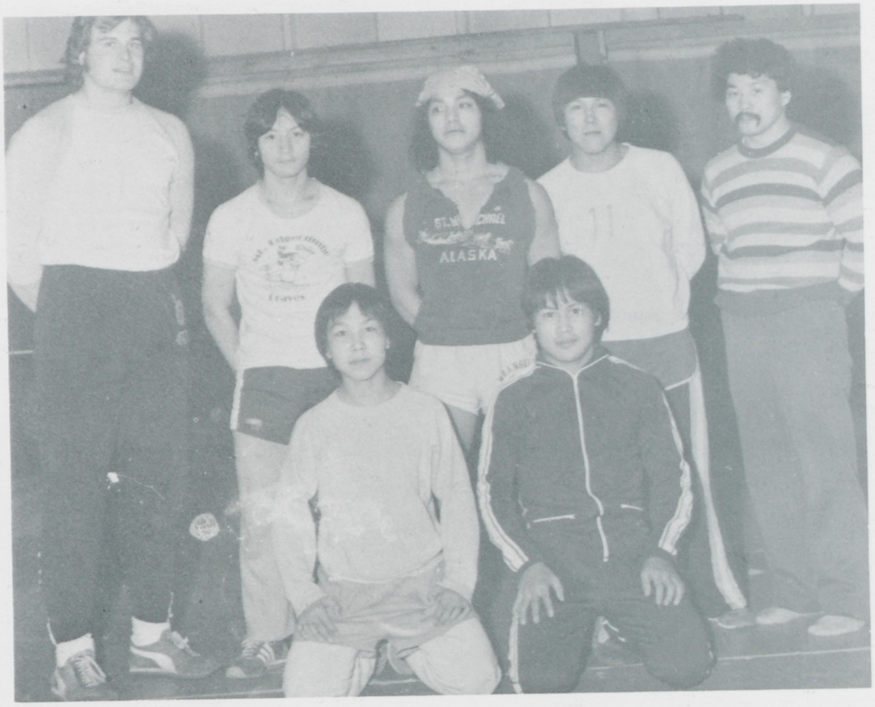
The wrestling team practices six days a week, and an individual member must practice at least ten days before he is allowed to wrestle. The present team consists of Evan Nicolai, Paul Guy, Jeff Maupin, John Cheemuk, Bryan Amos, and heavyweight Nekita Hapoff. The team captains are Bobby Guy and Louie Kinegak.



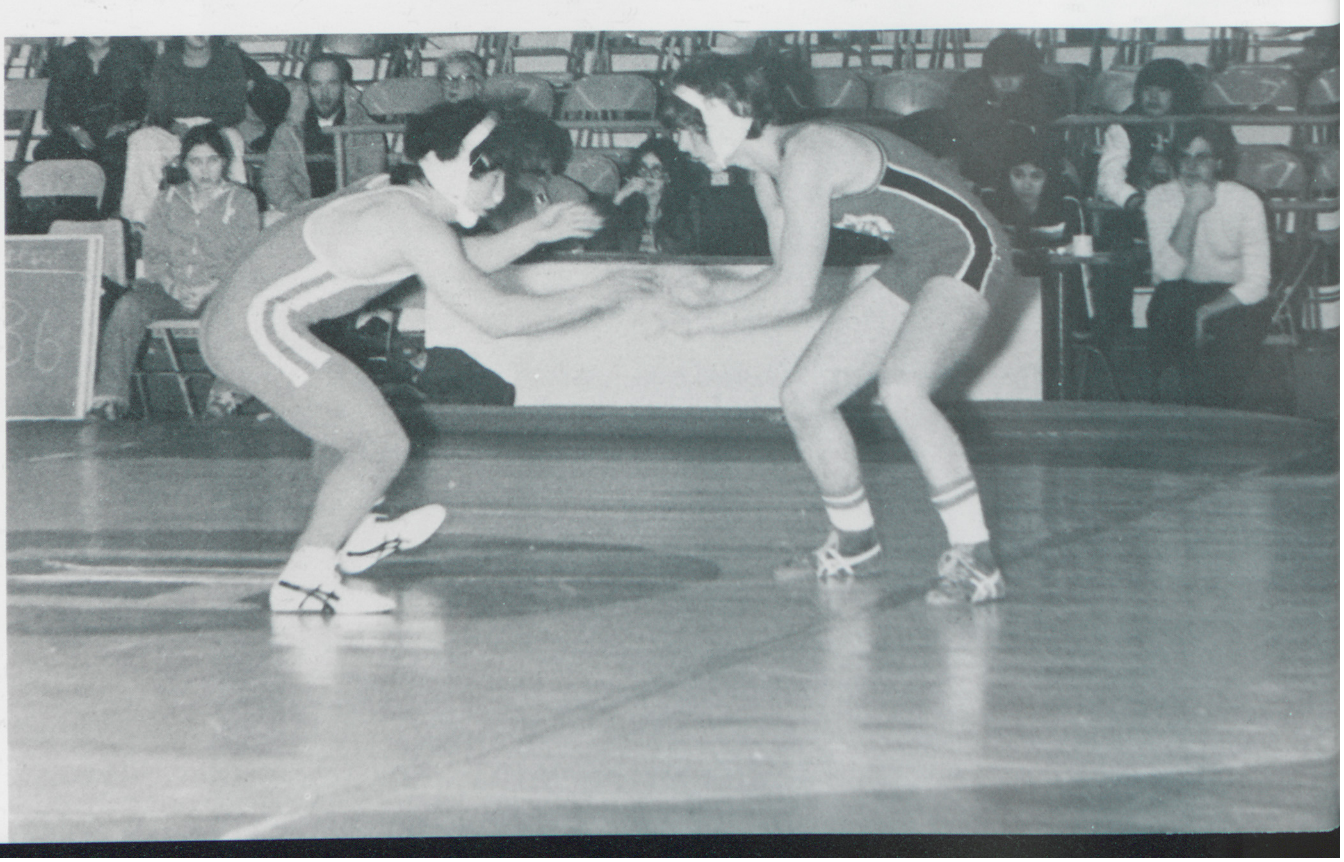
Nekita Hapoff's opponent seems to give all of his force.

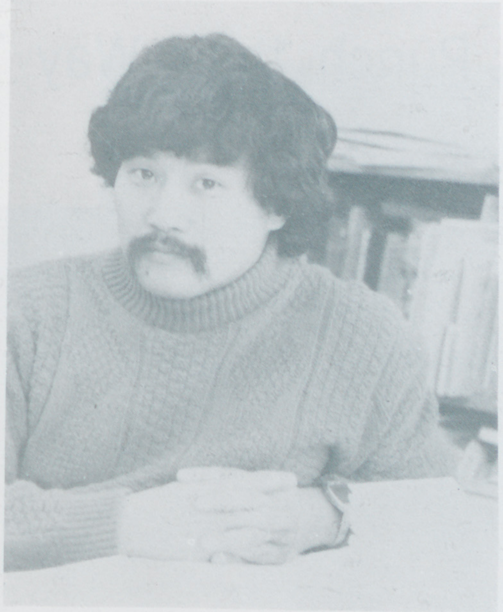
Tommy Lockwood musters up all his strength to escape the hold, and . . . comes out on top.



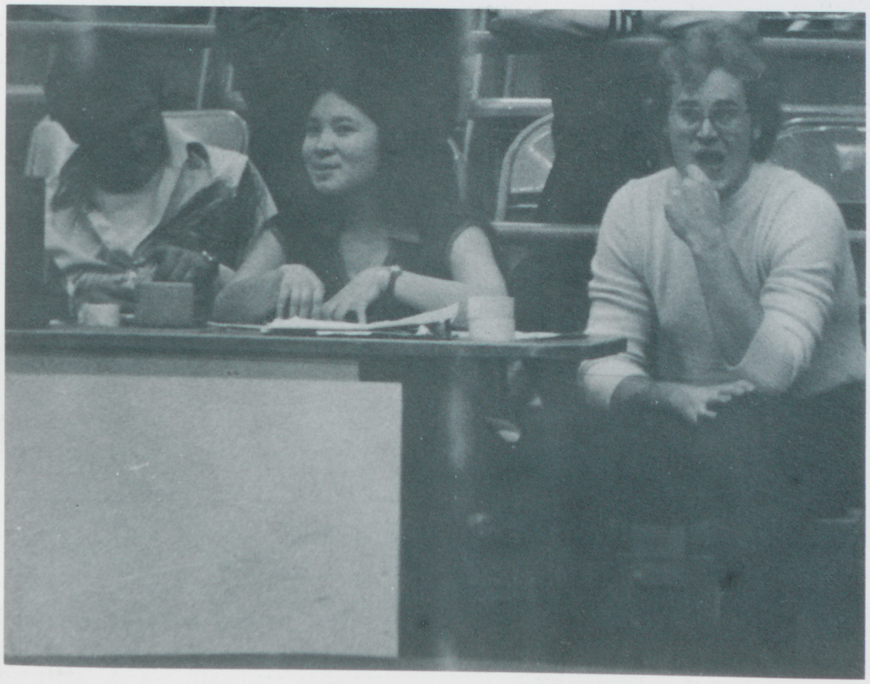


J.V. Wrestlers. (back Row): Assistant Coach Mr. Ambrosen, Dimitri Zacharof, John Cheemuk, Adam Nicolai, and Mr. Saito. Front row: Evan Nicolai and Joe Mark.

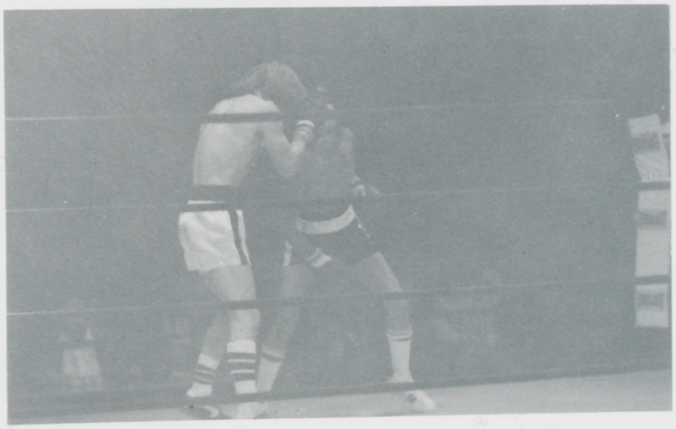


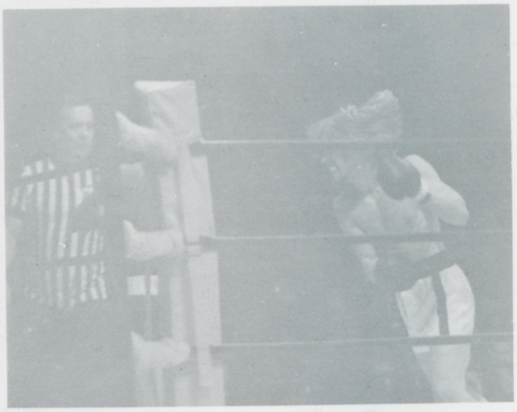


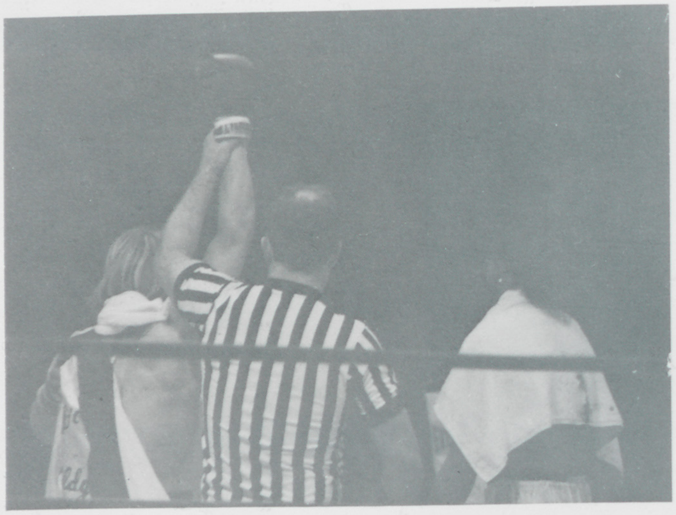
Back row (L-R): Grace Oldfriend, Arlene Lord, Sandra Solomon. Front row: Sandra Dick, Vivian Beans, & Vivian Johnson.

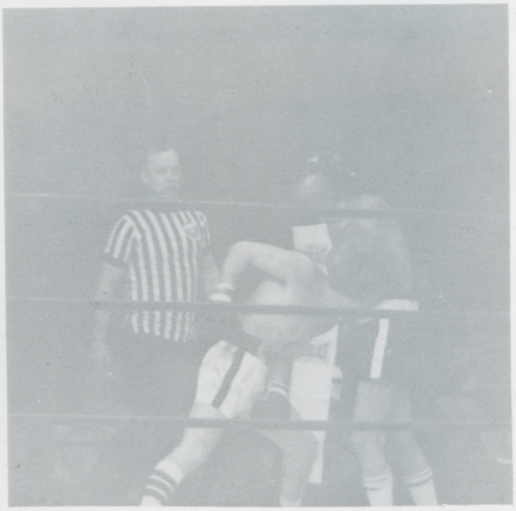


Boxers Punch their Way Through The 1980 Year





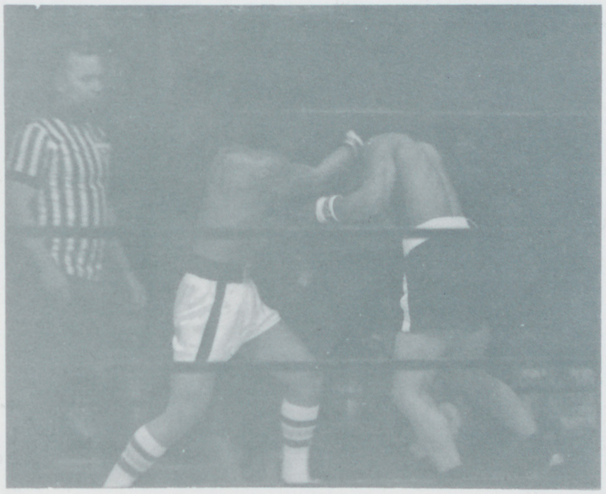


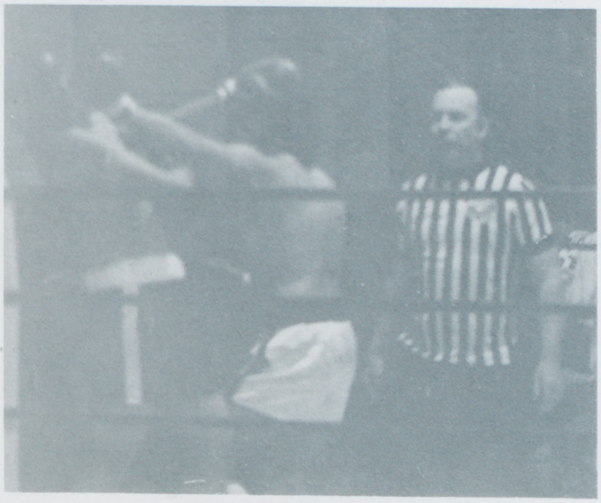


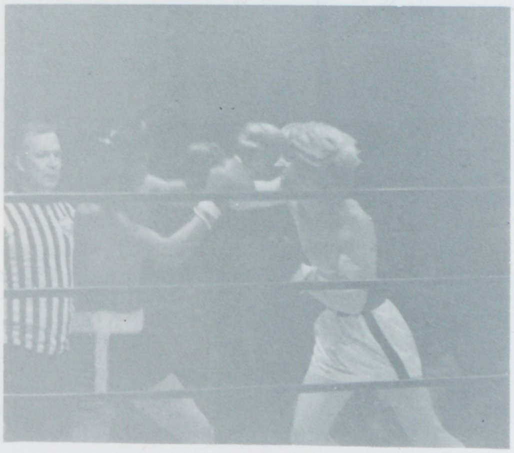
Boxing was revived at Mt. Edgecumbe High School in 1978 by a petition from some Mt. Edgecumbe students in the Upward Bound program. Mr. Patrick Stevens, a former teacher at Mt. Edgecumbe High School, and Mr. Frank Thrasher worked with six to ten boys the first year with a moderate turnout.

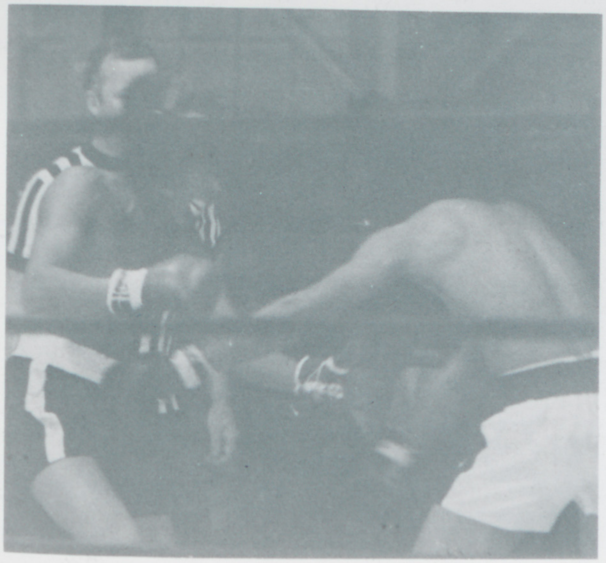
The 1979-80 season opened with 30 boys trying out. Practices conducted by Mr. Stevens and Mr. Thrasher began enthusiastically this fall. Smokers and actual boxings matches were held with the Mt. Edgecumbe boxers doing quite well.

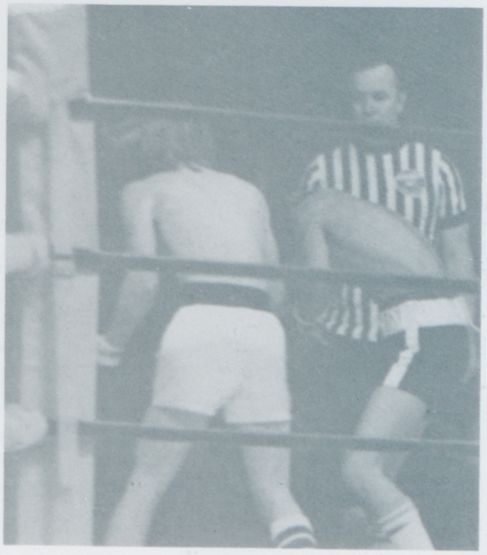
We look forward to continuation of this exciting sport at Mt. Edgecumbe. Turnout will begin next Fall at the start of the new school year.

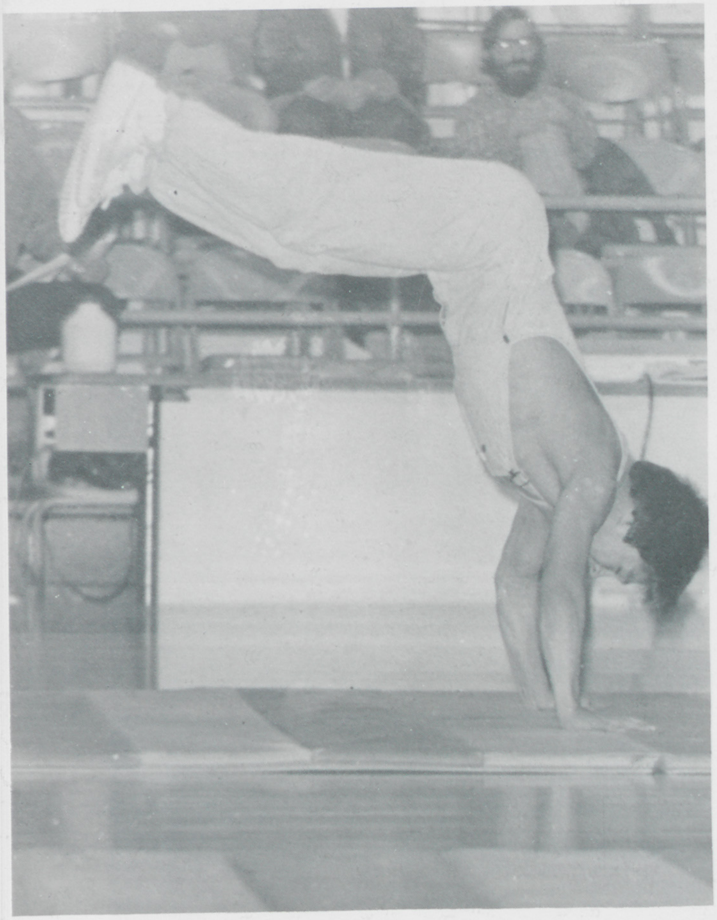


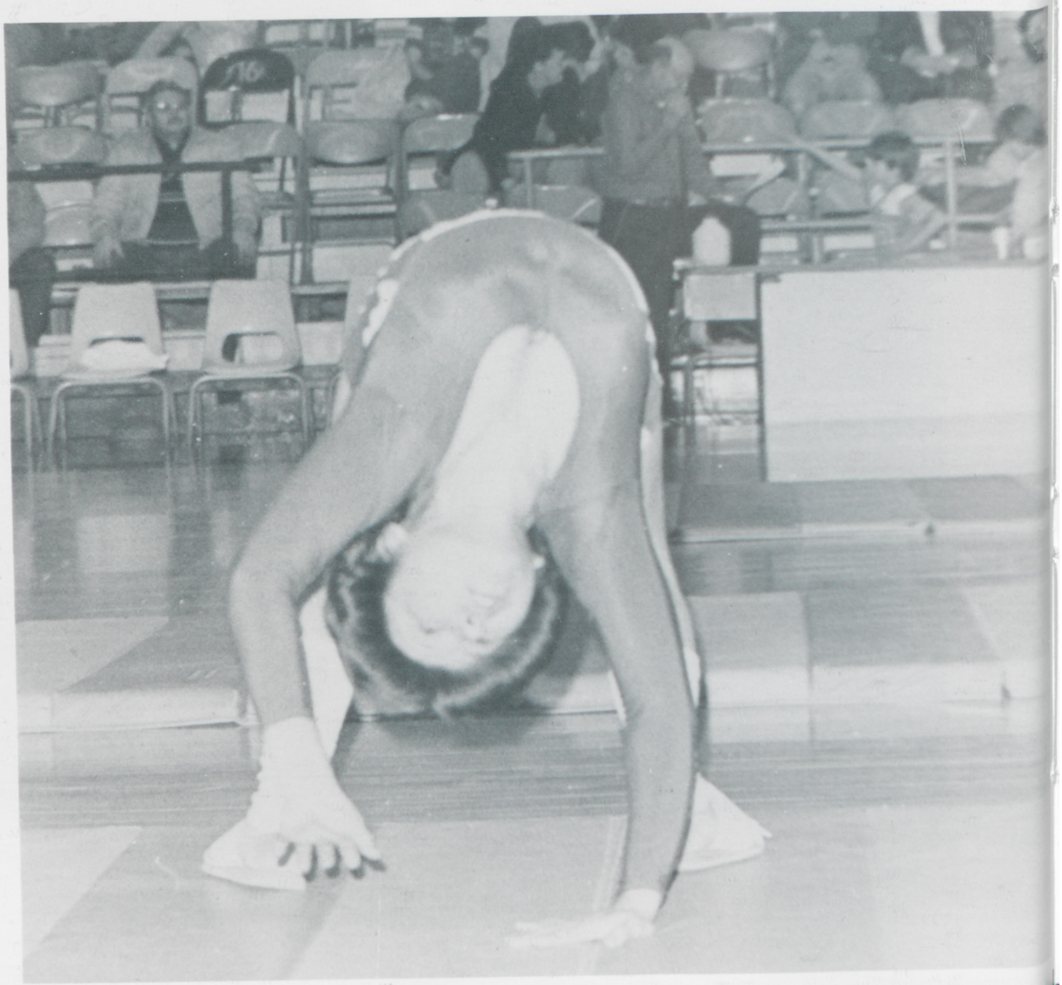












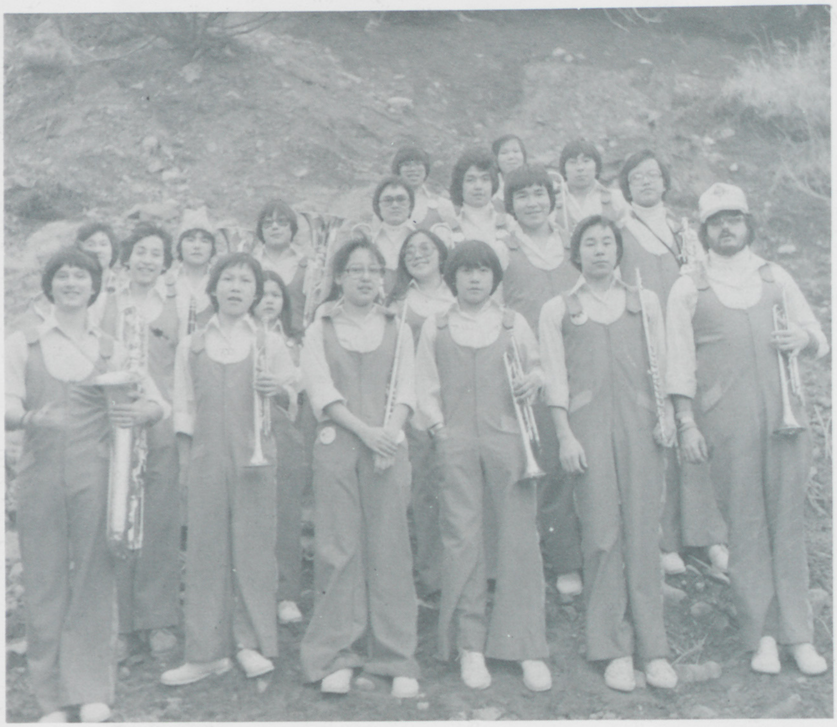
Work Study & Ceta Program

In addition to the Work-Study program offered at Mt. Edgecumbe, ten extra positions have been made available through the coordination of the Juneau CETA office. The students work 20 hours a month, as opposed to the other students who may work up to 40 hours a month.

The CETA program is designed for students who do not have much work experience; they work jobs such as library assistant, recreation aid, secretary, and janitor. Besides working, each student is required to attend an hourly meeting each week in which topics relating to jobs are discussed.

"The students working in this program must have a sincere desire to learn, be dependable, and have a good attitude toward working," tells CETA Coordinator, Mr. Grumbles.

(Top left): Fannie Andrew helps Joey Miller at the school bank.
(Bottom): Michelle Oxereok helps Vernon Douglas at the Student Union.
(Top Right): Irene Nick files papers for the Wellness Center.
(Middle): Sarah Cheemuk looks through the card catalogue for a book.
(Bottom Right): Mary Jim looks through the mail to see if anyone got something special.



PEP-BAND PERFORMS DURING GAMES

Mr. Coursey, Bobby Japhet, Daniel Mute, Sandra Nicolai Alexie, Bryan Amos, George Charles, Gary Ivanoff, Grant Kashatok, Evan Nicolai, Jerry Peterson, Nick Triplett, Peter Yukluk, Lydia Andrew, Joe Ayagalria, Charlie Charlie, Paul Guy, Vivian Johnson, Frieda Waska, Anna Nicolai, (Not pictures: Mike Seal and Daniel Charles.)

Pep Band (L-R): Joe Ayagalria, Anna Nicolai. 2nd Row: Nicolai Alexie, Bryan Amos, Charlie Charlie, Daniel Mute, Peter Yukluk, & Gary Ivanoff.
3rd row: Nick Triplett, Sandra Solomon, Frieda Waska, Grant Kashatok, & George Charles.
Front Row: Bobby Japhet, Evan Nicolai, Vivian Johnson, Paul Guy, Jerry Peterson, and Director Mr. Coursey.
Not pictured are: Mike Seal, Daniel Charles, and Lydia Andrew.

(Below left): The players stand up for the Mt. Edgecumbe "Fight Song."

(Below right): Jerry Peterson tunes his flute before the Pep Band performs for MEHS.

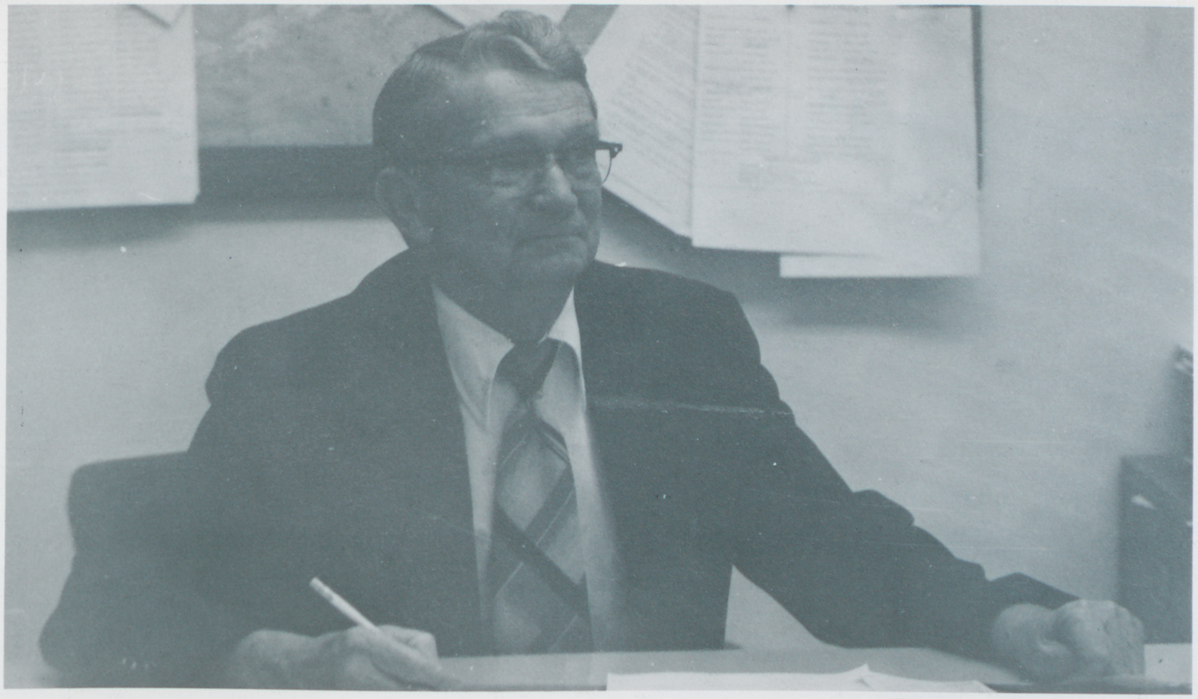
BIA Administrator Barlow Visits MEHS

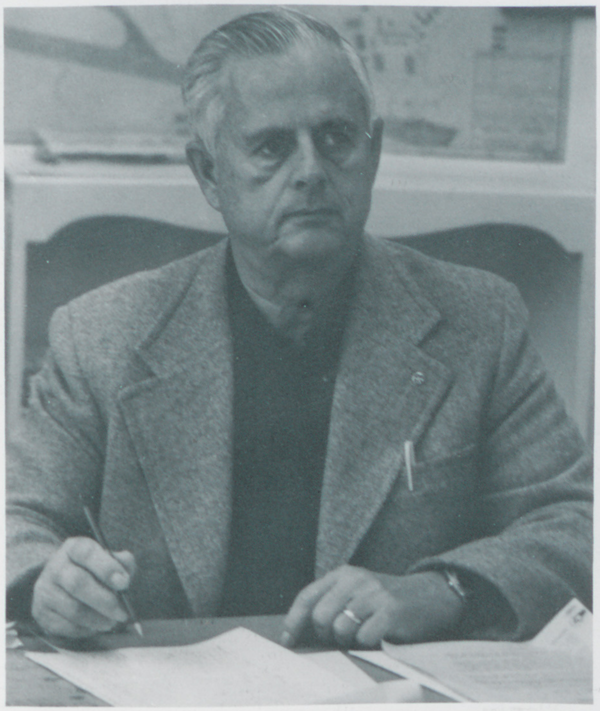
Earl J. Barlow, a member of the Black Feet Indian tribe, is the Director of Indian Education Programs for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. He is responsible for the administration of all Indian Education Programs for the B.I.A. and over 6,000 full-time teachers, administrators, and other employees. Mr. Barlow visited M.E.H.S. on January 16, 1980. Accompanying him were Irene Rowan, Special Assistant to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and Juneau Area Director, Emil Kowalczyk. Mr. Barlow is a graduate from Western Montana College. He has worked more than thirty years as a coach, teacher, principal, and education program administrator. He is a member of the Board of Directors for the American Hall of Fame in Helena, Montana.

Mr. Barlow speaks to the students at the assembly.

Julie Petro, Mr. Barlow and Irene Rowan listen intently while Mr. Kwalczyk speaks to the students.

Happiness is being Successful in the Bussiness World





Mr. Welch is in charge of the academic program, which includes curriculum, teachers, student council, testing programs, the education budget, and interscholastic sports. He makes sure the students take the proper courses which will lead them to completion of a four-year academic program in high school.

Mr. Merbach is the Administrative Officer and Acting Student Services Officer. He is in charge of anything that costs the school money, like salaries and material budgets. Filling in as Student Services Officer, Mr. Merbach oversees the "after school" activities, such as dorm life and the recreation department.

Mr. Truitt, the Assistant Principal, makes sure that students attend their classes on time and issues admit slips in case a student misses class, whether the absence is excused or not. Another big job is scheduling all sports activities that include our Mt. Edgecumbe teams and any events that take place in Mt. Edgecumbe's Field House. He is also in charge of the Principal's affairs when Mr. Welch is away on business.

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Gym Alive With Noises

The gym is alive with different noises, students with happy faces, and teachers eager to do their job.

Teaching in the Physical Education Department are Miss Gordon and Mr. McGee. Mrs. Moore teaches swimming one hour a day at Sheldon Jackson College. Physical Education is required for one year.

Some of the areas covered in the co-educational classes are: volleyball, touch football, badminton, floor hockey, gymnastics, basketball and softball.

For the first time, students have to bring their own Physical Education clothes to use for class.

"The student is encouraged to work at his own capacity to reach his physical goal," said Miss Gordon.

Challenge Advanced Math

The Math-Science Department is composed of seven math and four science classes. Two credits in math and 1½ credits in science are required to graduate. All classes are electives except for health.

Mr. Myers has taken over Algebra II and teaches General Math as well. Geometry, Algebra I and Advanced Math are taught by Mr. Nutting.

Mr. Fleming, new to the department, teaches vocational math, physical science, and chemistry. Mr. Dow teaches the math lab classes which cover basic mathematics.

Health, which teaches you how to care for yourself mentally, as well as physically, is taught by Mr. Davies and is required for one-half year.

Biology, taught by Mr. Briggs, studies living organisms and their life processes.

Above (L-R): Mr. Fleming, Miss Hackenberg, Mr. Davies, Mr. Briggs, Mr. Myers, and Mr. Nutting.

Right: Pat Spein and John Owens have a stare-out while Mr. Briggs tries to help Nick Triplett.

(Top, far left) Karen Douglas and Miss Gordon look at a photo album.

(Top, left) The two hard-working gym teachers - Mr. McGee and Miss Gordon.

(Bottom, left) Billy Acovak "walks" across the floor.

Students Elect The Arts

In the Fine Arts Department students can learn about art, instrumental and vocal music. All classes are electives.

Mr. Hawk teaches both chorus and piano classes. In piano, he stresses notereading and rhythm at the individual skill levels of students in the class. After each quarter, piano students have a piano recital for Mt. Edgecumbe staff and students.

In Beginning Choir, music literature and history are studied. Advanced Choir is a performing group, working mostly on literature. They give a concert each term and are known as "The Mastersingers."

Mr. Coursey teaches Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced Band. Advanced Band performs at regular concerts and occasional assemblies. The Band has won first place in the Alaska Day Parade for the past three years.

Beginning and Advanced Art are offered by Mrs. Lantgen. In Beginning Art, students learn the principles of color and design, value, and one-point perspective. Crafts are also part of the curriculum.

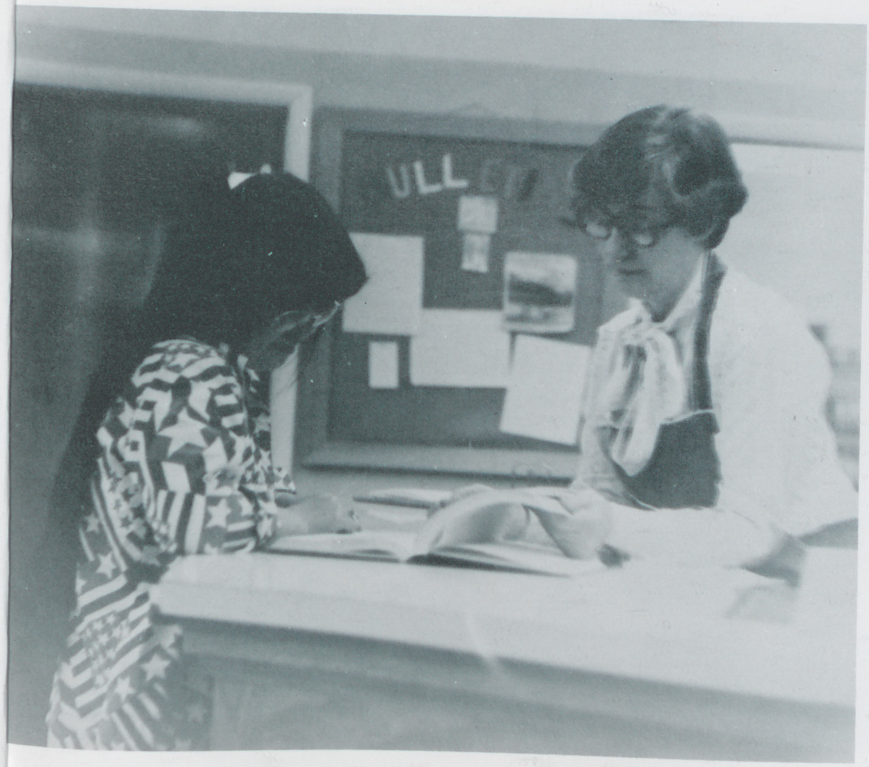
Advanced Art is basically the same as Beginning Art, except on a more advanced scale. Students also work on projects of their own individual interests.

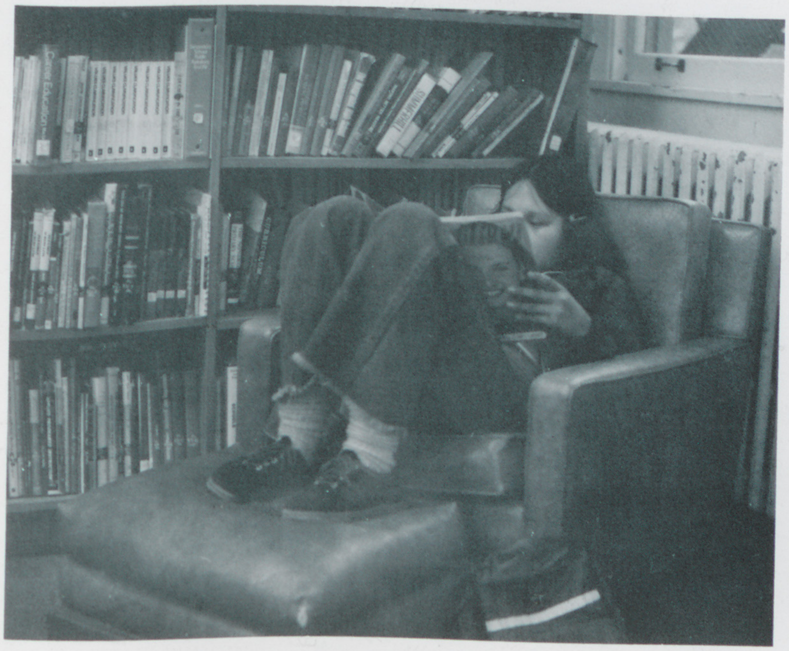
(Bottom Left): Mr. Coursey, Mrs. Langten, and Mr. Hawk show their interest in music.

(Top Right): Mr. Hawk helps a student on the piano.

(Bottom Right): Delores Pitka concentrates on her art work.

Spend Night Hours The Library





(Top) Grace Oldfriend receives assistance from Mrs. Stevens, Head Librarian.

(Bottom) Margie Abouchuk reads one of the many magazines available in the library.

For the second year, the library has opened up with new hours. It is open from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, in addition to its daytime hours. Mr. Odenheimer, the Night Librarian, also helps students with their homework.

Mrs. Stevens, the Head Librarian, teaches Library Science, a class which introduces students to library activities and the school's audiovisual productions.

The library contains 12,000 volumes and paperbacks, subscribes to over 50 magazines ranging from *Senior Scholastic* to *Electonics*, and subscribes to 20 newspapers that help students keep up on news from back home. There are also new magazine and film racks for the students' convenience.

"Use of the library during the evenings is up tremendously over the previous year. Students are taking advantage of the opportunity to use library materials on their own time for study or for their own reading enjoyment," said Mr. Odenheimer.

It's A "Business World"

"The purpose of the Business Department is to train students to get a job and manage their own financial affairs after completing high school," said Mr. McFarland who teaches Typing, Accounting and Shorthand. Personal Finance, required for one semester, is taught by Ms. Prince. Career Education taught by Mr. Grumbles is now required for one semester. Mr. Grumbles is replacing Mrs. Lay, who taught the course for three years.

Students taking classes in the Business Department can learn job skills and acquire information about the business world.

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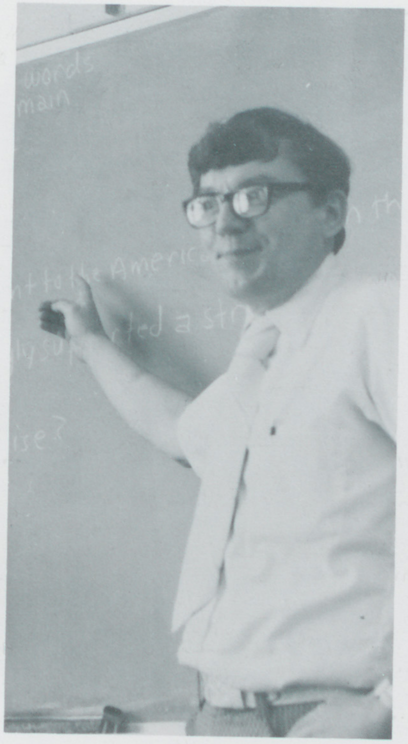
(Top to bottom clockwise) (1) Donna Kious works on her one minute timing. (2) Mr. Pearson stresses an important point in U.S. History. (3) Mr. Pearson, Mr. Fahey, Mrs. Goodman and Mr. Saito teach the Social Studies classes. (4) Robert Olsen concentrates on an assignment during American Government class. (5) Mr. McFarland and Miss Prince teach the Business classes.



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Don't Make Mistakes Twice

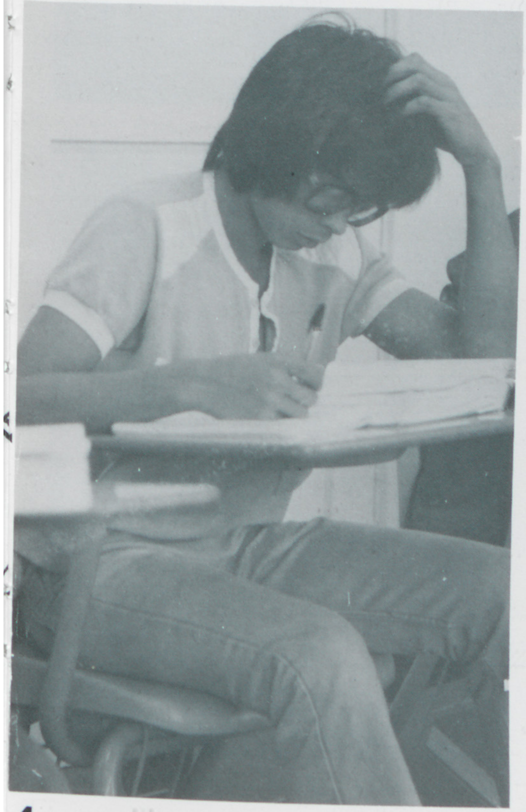
"We study History to learn about the past so that we will not make the same mistakes again. History can help give a Native a sense of purpose. It also helps give people a sense of who they are and a sense of pride," tells Mrs. Goodman, American Government and Native Land Claims teacher.

All classes in the Social Studies Department are required. Geography, a freshman class, is now required for one semester instead of one quarter.

World and Alaska History, sophomore classes, are taught by Mr. Saito. "I have been exposing my classes to current events because it makes the past more relevant."

U.S. History, or "U.S.", is taught by Mr. Pearson.

Mr. Fahey, a new teacher, teaches U.S. History, World History, and Geography.



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English Teachers Promote Interest

"The English teachers have been promoting interest in class by involving students in drama, speech, and literature as basic learning parts of the English language," said Mr. Hanson.

English I, taught by Mrs. Dow, introduces and covers the basic concepts of grammar.

English II, taught by Mr. Hanson, stresses good grammar with oral and composition work. Literature, including poetry, short stories, and novels, is introduced along with Drama.

Mrs. Marshall, a new addition to the department, teaches English III. The course covers American Literature from the early American period to modern works.

English IV, a new full year course, includes one semester of English literature taught by Mr. Clair, and one semester of Composition taught by Mrs. Marshall.

Four credits of English are required to graduate. A supplementary course, Communications, teaches the basics of photography and copy writing, produces the yearbook, and operates the radio station, KMTE.

Yupik, taught by Mr. Slats, covers the Yupik alphabet and pronunciation of the Yupik language.

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Clockwise (1) Mr. Clair explains one of the literature assignments to John Merculief. (2) Instructing in the Reading Department are Mrs. Rhodes, Mrs. Duncan, Ms. Butterfield, and Mrs. Sutton. (3) Mr. Wilson, Head of the Reading Department, talks to Mr. Strain, the new diversified learning teacher. (4) Alexie Merculief tries to keep awake and study at the same time. (5) Educating students in the English Department are Mr. Slats, Mr. Clair, Mr. Hanson, Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Dow.

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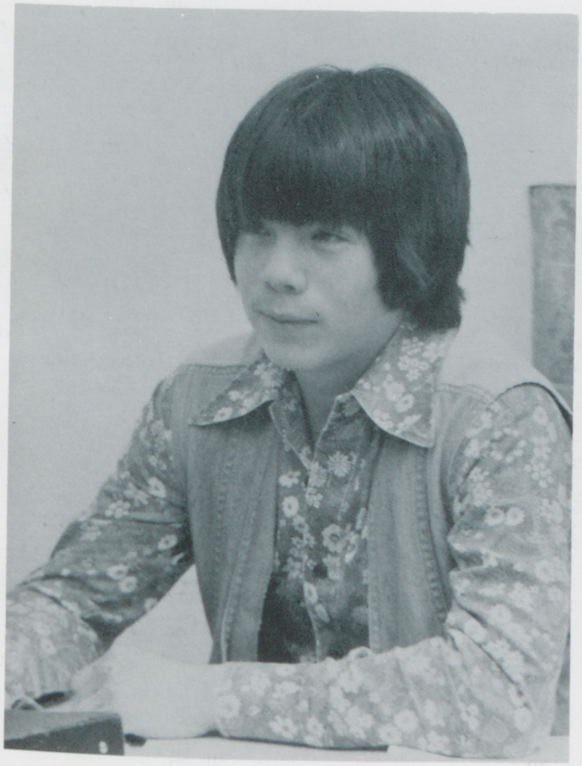
Find Your World in a Book

"Reading is fundamental to almost everything a person does in life," said Mrs. Sutton. Mrs. Sutton is one of four Reading teachers; she also teaches French, a new class this year. The other teachers include Ms. Butterfield, Mrs. Rhodes, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Strain, the new teacher for diversified learning.

Reading is required for one year and then may be taken as an elective. The purpose of the class is to improve the students' reading ability. Small classes enable individualized programs. Included as a part of the program are reading textbooks -- both fiction and non-fiction. Comprehension, vocabulary development, and beneath-the-surface meaning are emphasized as a part of the students' learning.



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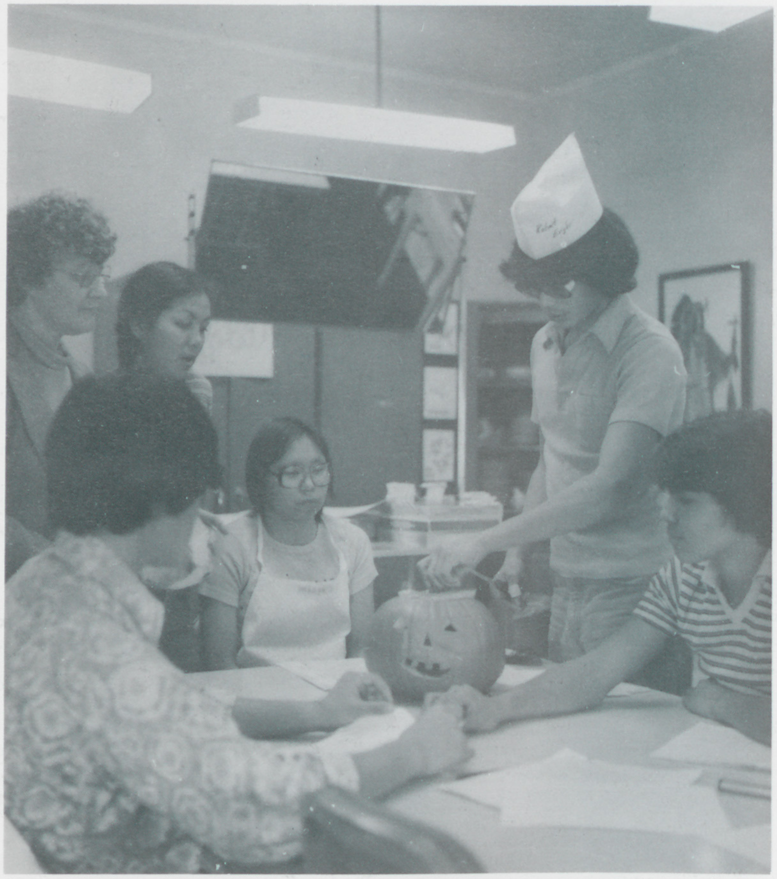
Smell What's Going On. . .

"Home Economics experiences are a preparation for living; the influence is felt for a lifetime," said Beginning Home Economics teacher Mrs. Jensen. Beginning Home Economics is required for freshmen and covers the basics of sewing and cooking.

"Advanced Home Economics, taught by Mrs. Strand, covers more advanced techniques of sewing and cooking. Included as part of the classes are field trips, special speakers, and student guests into the food labs. Outside class-related activities for those students working towards an "A" or "B" are additional reading, attending workshops and conducting interviews on related subjects. "Both girls and guys should take Home Economics during their high school years because it will make them better parents in the future," said Mrs. Strand.



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Live A Better Life With Knowledge

"Every teacher in the Shop Department believes that each student should know how to do his or her own minor repair work for his own knowledge," said Mr. Clark.

All shop classes are electives except for Freshman Shop. There are ten classes offered. Mr. Braun teaches Freshman Shop which is basically a little bit of everything a student needs to know about shop. Small Motors, Machine Shop, Welding, and Electricity are taught by Mr. Thrasher. Mr. Clark's fields cover Auto Mechanics, Woodworking, and Carpentry. Mr. Didrickson teaches Upholstery and Driver's Education. Driver's Education is also taught by Mr. Thomason. All classes stress individual learning rather than group learning.

"These classes are taught so students can learn something they can use for tomorrow. They can gather skills and knowledge that can help them live a better life," said Mr. Thrasher.

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(Top to bottom clockwise) (1) Mrs. Strand, Isabel Cleveland, Marfa Rukovishnikoff and Guy Ross look on as Robert Engler shows them how to make a Jack-O-Lantern. (2) Mr. Braun shows Gabriel Olick, Joe Mark and Gregory Hope how to repair a tennis shoe with contact bond adhesive. (3) Standing L-R are Mr. Thomason & Mr. Clark; seated L-R are Mr. Braun, Mr. Thrasher & Mr. Didrickson, who teach the shop classes. (4) Billy Myers gets his cake ready for frosting. (5) Practical Arts teachers (L-R) Mrs. V. Jensen and Mrs. Strand.

DORM STAFF

The Dorm Staff in all of the dorms work eight hours a day and are responsible for students' welfare and activities after school. They also make the new students feel at home and they welcome back the returning ones. They get to know the students well and have activities set up in the dorms for the students. The staff helps the students with their homework and with whatever they need help.

The Aides also decorate the dorms according to the holidays throughout the year so that the students feel somewhat at home during the holidays.

The Main duties of the Aides are making sure the students are accounted for, checking rooms for grades and grading them fairly. They are also responsible for writing passes to town, to movies and to private homes. The Aides mainly take care of the students and dorms. The Night Aides awaken students if they have phone calls, check students hourly making sure they are accounted for, and write reports in their log.

Girls Dorm

Girls' Dorm Aide Mrs. Martin thinks of what it would be like to home right now!

Girls' Dorm Aide Mrs. Mercer tries to look young and beautiful.

The Girls' Dorm Aides (L-R Back Row): Mrs. Larsen, Mrs. Miyasato, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Schenderline, & Mrs. Littlefield, Girls' Dorm Supervisor. (L-R Front Row): Miss Vincent and Mrs. Ozawa.

Girls Main Dorm Night Aides (L--R) Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Shorty, and Mrs. Shayen finally had their picture taken for the yearbook after a long peroid of time and all the posing. Mrs. Shayen got so tired she closed her eyes.

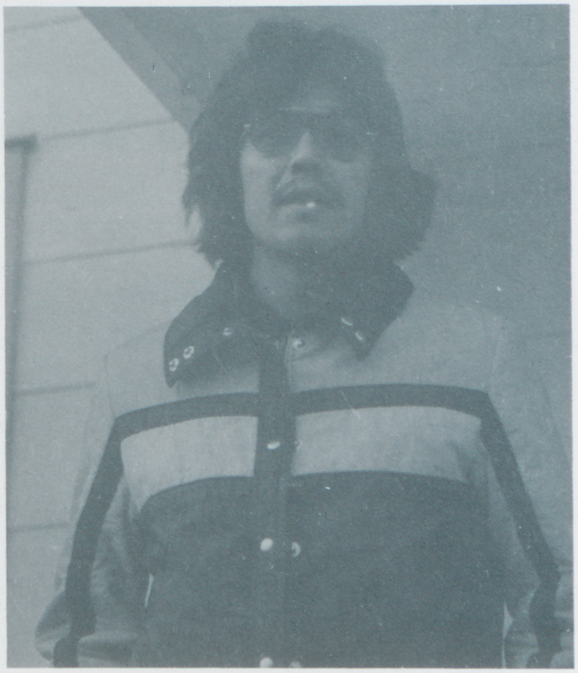
Boys Dorm

Supervisor Mr. Gamble and Boys' Main Dorm Aide Mr. Hanbury. Wonder what the sly grin is all about?

Boys Main Dorm Aides (L--R) Mr. Davis, Mr. Shorty, Mr. Gordon, and Mr. Hanbury waiting patiently for their picture to be taken.

The Boys' Main Dorm and Honor Quarter Aides (L-R): Mr. Gamble, Mr. Neketa, Mrs. Burkhart, Mrs. Hiebert, Mrs. Foster, Mr. Moreno and Mr. Peratrovich in the Boys' Main Dorm living room -- chattering away!

B.H.Q.



(L-R) BHQ Aides Mrs. Foster & Mrs. Burkhart behind BHQ. What's going on?

BHQ Aide Mr. Benson - the Macho Man!

415 STAFF

Building 415 (L-R): Mr. Wegner - Manager; Pokie Green and Nancy Fujimoto - social worker interns; and Mrs. Huff - Aide, on a beautiful sunny Saturday afternoon.

Building 415 Aide Mr. Joseph, the Incredible Hulk!

Building 415 Aide Patty Ayuluk hides a love letter.

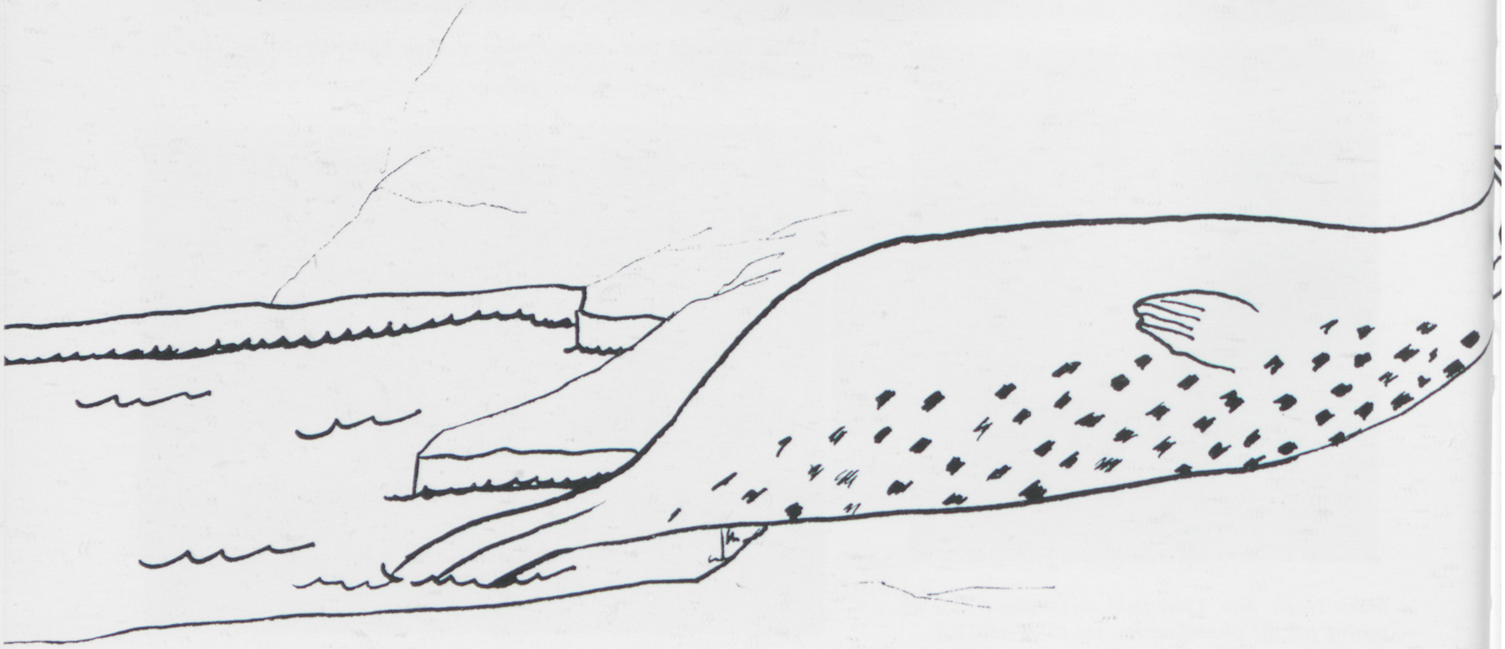
Marfa Rukovishnikoff getting ready to try on a new blouse for a dance.

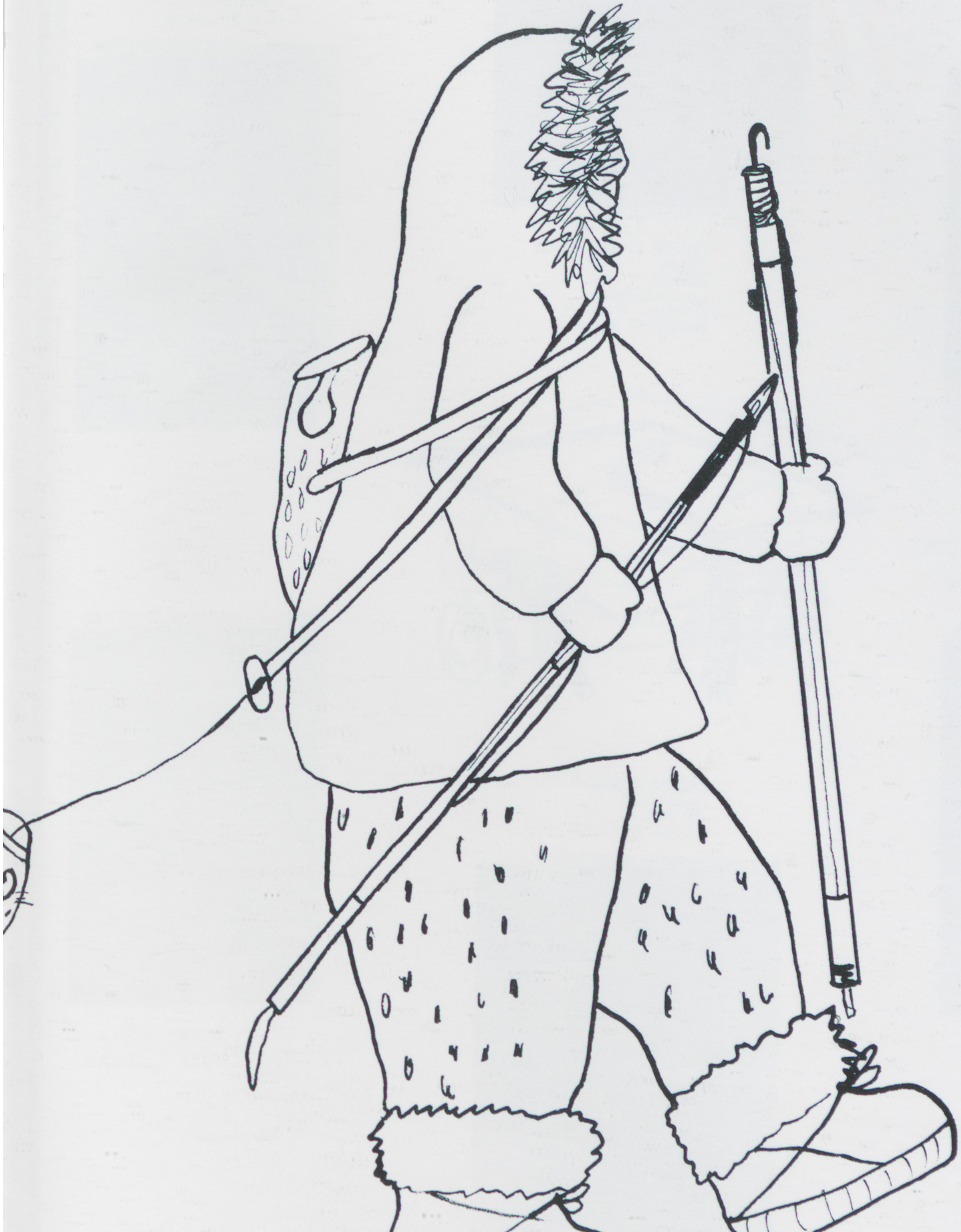
Vivian Johnson is awaiting her date's arrival.

Marie Noah, Mrs. Littlefield and Nellie Alexie all posing for the photographer for the TAHETA.

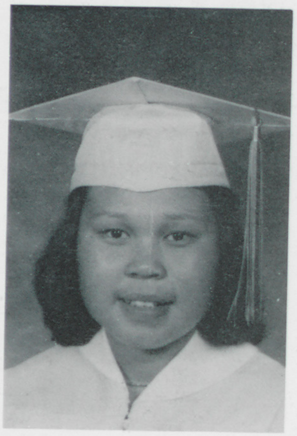
Alexie Nicholai and Alvin Phillip waiting patiently to get out of "detention!"

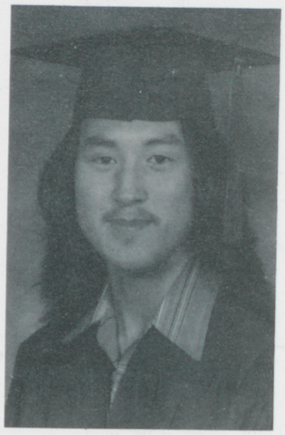
WINTER





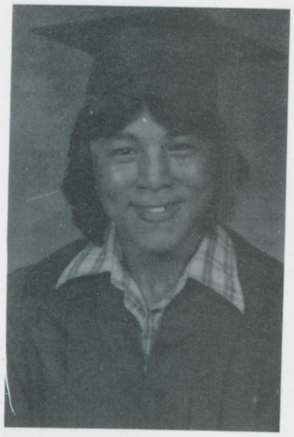
MARGARET ABOUCHUK
"Margie"
Eskimo
St. Michael

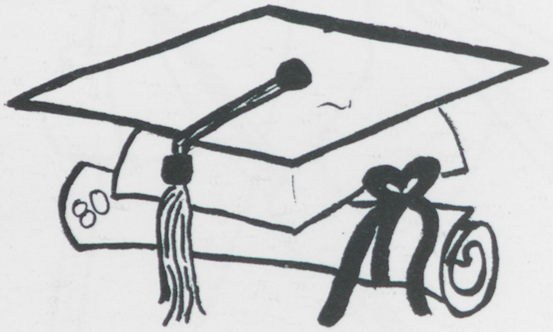


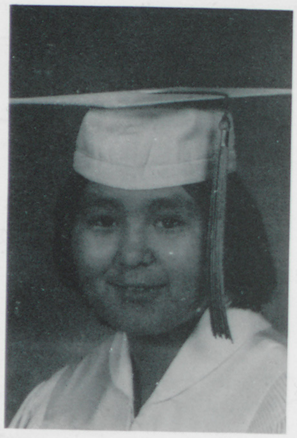


PETER L. ABRUSKA
"Luke"
Eskimo
Lower Kalskag
Hobbies: Hunting
Basketball & Tennis

BILLY ACOUVAK
Eskimo
New Stuyahok

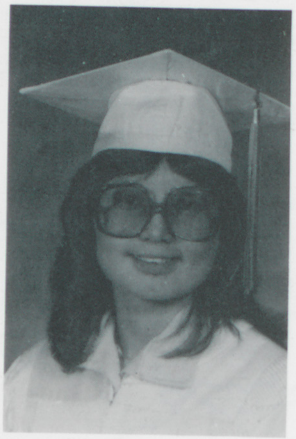


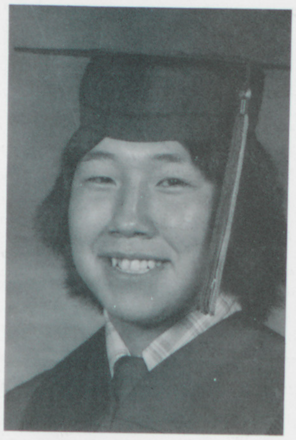




DONNA AHKIVGAK
"Don"
Eskimo
Barrow
Hobbies: Basketball

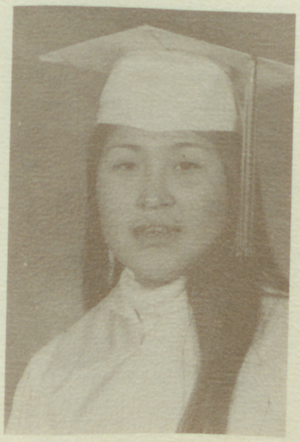
NELDA AKELKOK
Eskimo
Ekwok
Hobbies: Basketball 2, 3





CHRISTOPHER F. ALEXIE
"Chris"
Eskimo
Eek
77 Intramural

FANNIE ANDREW
"Ciq"
Eskimo
Tuntutuliak
Matmaid 1, 2, Jaycee 2



GRACE ATTATAYUK
"Gracie"
Eskimo
Nome
Track, Drill Team

HELEN ATTUNGOWRUK
Inupiat Eskimo
Barrow

JUDY BRADY
Tlingit
Sitka

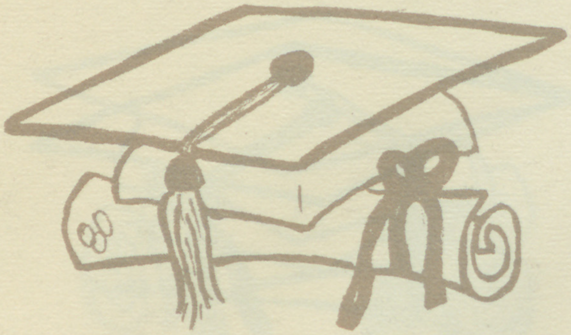
DORA BROWER
Inupiat Eskimo
Barrow

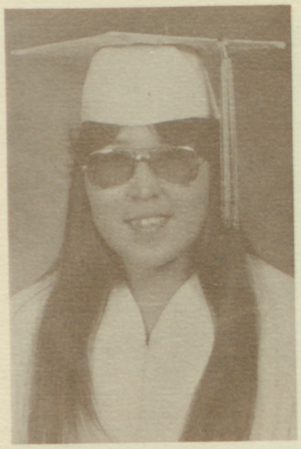
VERA BROWER
Inupiat Eskimo
Barrow

NELLIE V. CHARLIE
"Abby", "Nell", "Charlie"
Eskimo
Tuntutuliak
Matmaid, Jaycees
Secretary 3
School Board Member 4

JOHN CHEEMUK
Eskimo
St. Michael
Wrestling 1, 2, Boxing 3

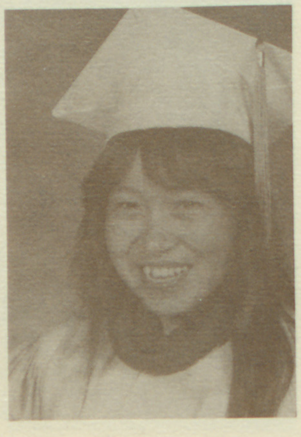
KATHERINE CLEVELAND
"KC"
Eskimo
Quinhagak
S.E. Honor Choir 1-4
Wrestling Cheerleader 2
Class Secretary 1 & 2
School Board Member 3
Student Council Rep. 4





LUCY CLEVELAND
Eskimo
Quinhagak

STELLA CLEVELAND
"Sunshine"
Eskimo
Quinhagak
Matmaid 1, Wrestling
Cheerleader 2, 3
Class Secretary 4

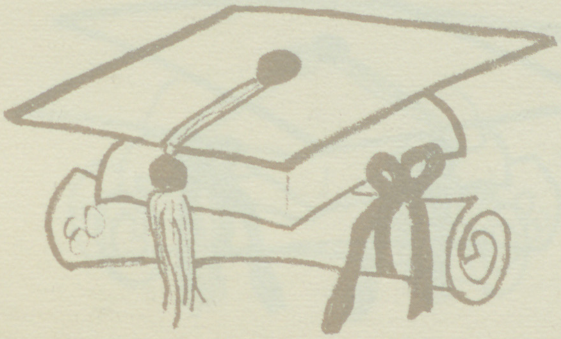


DONNA COMMACK
"Dawn"
Indian/Eskimo
Shungnak

PAMELA DEMIENTIEFF
Eskimo
Bethel

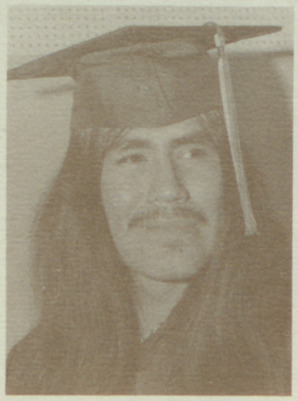
SANDRA JEAN DICK
"Sunshine" or "Sandy Eyes"
Athabascan
Tanana

JESSIE DOUGLAS
Eskimo Inupiat
Ambler



NICANOFF C' EVAN JR.
"Chunky"
Eskimo
Lower Kalskag

VERNON DAVID
Athabascan
40 Mile

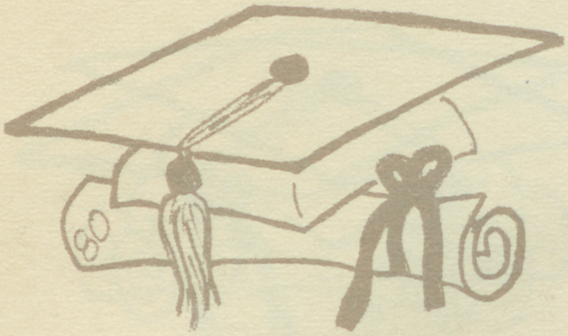


ALICE FIELD
Inupiaq Eskimo
Noorvik

PAULINE A. GALILA
"P - Wee"
Eskimo
Goodnews Bay

ANITA M. GEORGE
"George"
Eskimo
Pilot Station

IRENE GAMECHUK
Eskimo
Manokotak

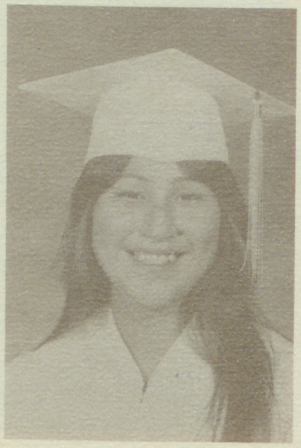


FLORA GLOKO
Eskimo
Manokotak

NICK GILILA
"Bob"
Eskimo
Akiak
J.V. Basketball, Cross
Country, Varsity Basketball
Student Council Treasurer 3
Class Treasurer 4

HELEN GRAY
"Buck"
Eskimo
Ambler

JAMES GUY JR.
"Bobby"
Eskimo
Kwethluk
Swimming 1
Wrestling 1-4



BESSIE HANSEN
Eskimo
Portage Creek

OXCENIA HURLEY
Eskimo
Ekwok

LETIA HURLEY
Eskimo
Ekwok

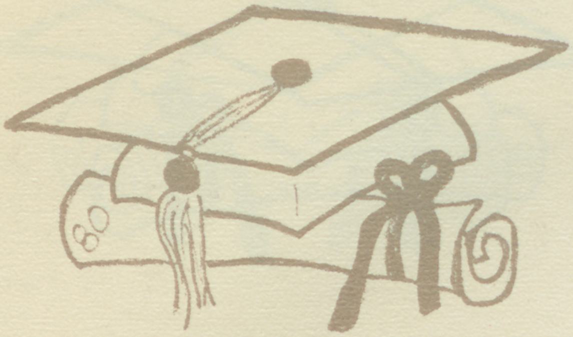
MARI JIM
Eskimo
Cross Country
Jr. Representative

BOBBY JAPHET
"Army Boy"
Eskimo
Bethel
VP Pep Band

BRENDA L. JOE
Athabascan
Tetlin

MICHAEL JOHNSON
"Doc"
Eskimo
Koliganek
Cross Country 3&4
Track & Field 2-4
Freshman Treasurer

LEWIS JONES
Sioux
Saint Paul
Wrestling 1, Swimming 2



FREDERICK JOSEPH
"Fred"
Eskimo
Alakanuk

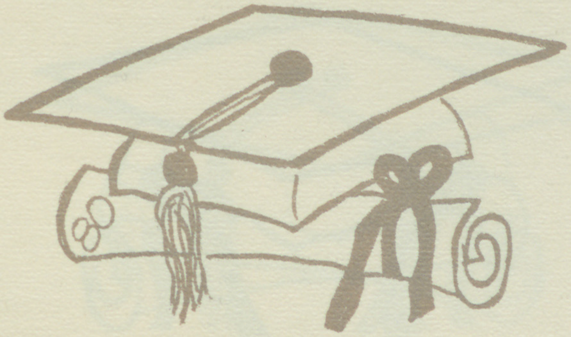
EVA KAPOTAK
Eskimo
Portage Creek

NELSON KASAYULIE
"Nel"
Eskimo
Akiachak
JV Basketball 2
Varsity Basketball 3 & 4

ERNEST KASHATOK
"Ernie" or "Kash"
Eskimo
Kipnuk
Freshman Basketball
Track 1-4, JV Wrestling
JV Basketball, Varsity
Basketball, Cross Country 2

BEVERLY KASHEVAROF
"Bonnie"
Aleut
St. George Island
Volleyball 1-4
Basketball & Track 1-4

ELENA KELILA
Eskimo
Chuathbaluk

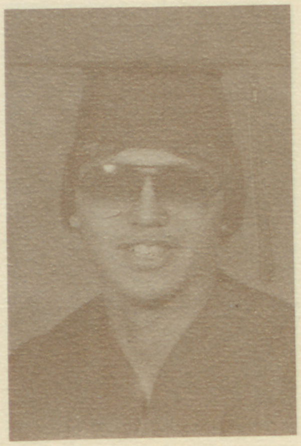


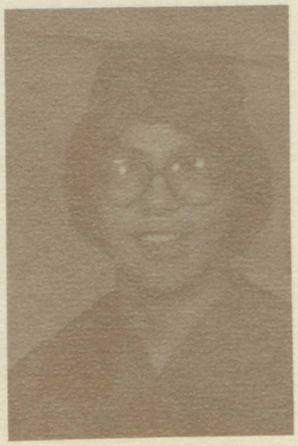
LOUIE KINEGAK
"Lou"
Akiachak
Wrestling 1-4
Swimming 1-3

IRENE T. KOCHUTIN
"Pinky" or "Slick"
Aleut
St. Paul Island
Jr. Class President

RODNEY LEKANOF
"Sealpup"
Aleut
Cross Country, Track &
Field, Basketball,
Basketball Manager

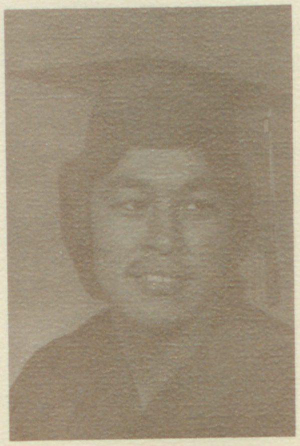
PAUL LESTENKOF
Aleut
St. George Island
Track 1

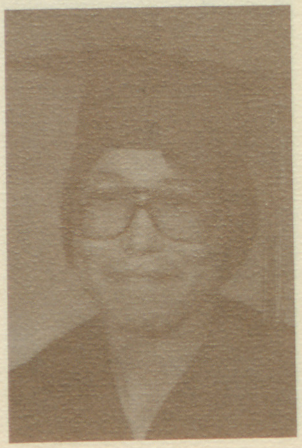




EDWARD LOCKWOOD
"Oppie"
Eskimo
Unalakleet

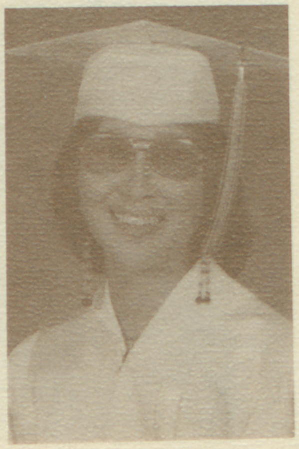
HENRY LOCKWOOD
Eskimo
St. Michael
JV Basketball, Boxing,
Varsity Basketball,
Wrestling

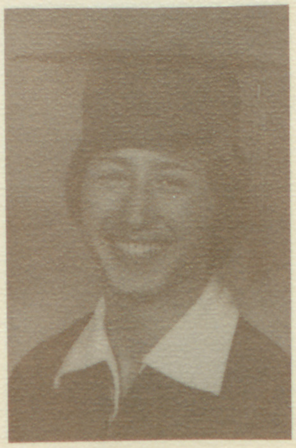




FRANKLIN LOTT
"Blue Boy"
Akiak
Cross Country 1-3,
Wrestling 2
Soph. Class President,
School Board Rep 3,
Student Council Rep 4
Sec/Treas BHQ

LENA LUPIE
"Lynne"
Tuntutuliak





JEFFREY MAUPIN
Eskimo
Barrow
Wrestling 3-4,
Cross Country 3, Track &
Field 3 & 4,
School Board Rep 4

GUSTY McCARR
Eskimo
Koliganek
Track

JOEY MILLER
"Joe"
Eskimo
Tuntutuliak

FERN K. MILLER
Eskimo
Bethel
Jr. Treasurer,
Sr. President

BERNADETTE MOSES
"Bernie"
Eskimo
Emmonak
Basketball & Volleyball

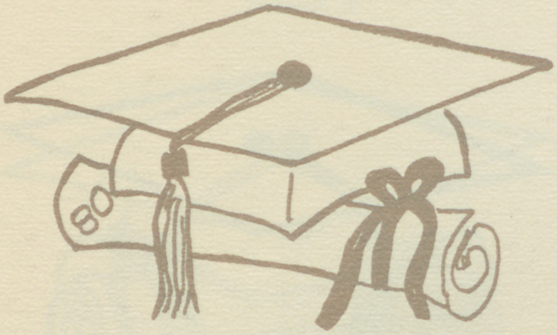
LANNY MOORE
Eskimo
Emmonak
Cross Country,
Swimming

DANIEL MUTE
"Michael"
Eskimo
Kipnuk

IRENE A. NICK
Eskimo-Indian
Holitna River
Volleyball

ARNOLD NICOLAI
Eskimo
Kwethluk

SAMUEL NICOLAI
"Spiffy"
Eskimo
Akiak
Basketball



MARIE NOAH
Eskimo
Akiachak
JV Cheerleader,
JV Basketball 1,
Varsity Cheerleader 2,
Volleyball 3

GREG NOTHSTINE
"7-Up"
Eskimo
Anchorage
Basketball 3 & 4,
Track 3 & 4,
Native Youth Olympics,
Dorm President 2,
BHQ Dorm Mgr. 4

CHARLIE OLANNA
"Chuck"
Eskimo
Brevig Mission

ROBERT OLSEN
Aleut
St. Paul Island

THOMAS OSBORNE
"Gregory"
Tlingit
Juneau

LUTHER J. OSCAR, JR.
"Lucas"
Eskimo
Bethel
Basketball,
Class Rep

BOBBY PAVELLA
Eskimo
New Stayahok

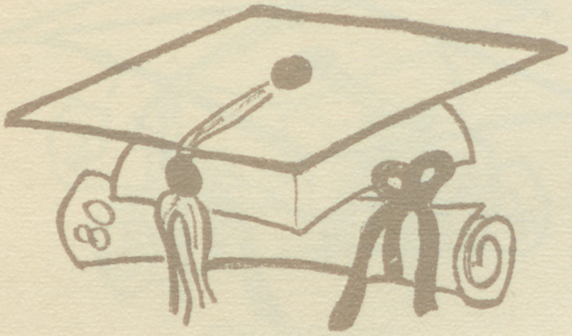
ELIAS PETE
Eskimo
Stebbins
JV Basketball,
Wrestling, Boxing,
Varsity Basketball

JOYCE PETE
Eskimo
Akiak
Cross Country,
Basketball

MARTHA PETER
Eskimo
Akiachak
Volleyball, Basketball,
Cross Country,
Cheerleader,
Vice President

ABE REDFOX
Eskimo
Emmonak

JAKE REDFOX
"Kink"
Eskimo
Emmonak
Wrestling,
Basketball
Pres. 2, VP 3



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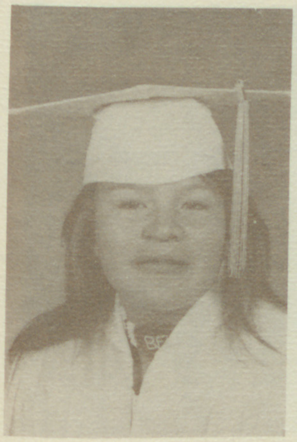
Aleut
St. Paul Island

VAL SACCHEUS
Eskimo
Elim

ELLEN SAKEAGAK
Inupiat-Eskimo
Barrow



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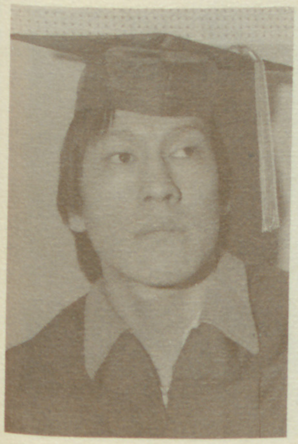
Athabascan
Huslia



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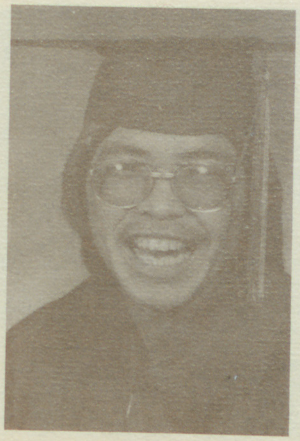
"Bee Bee Doo Wee"
Eskimo
Bethel



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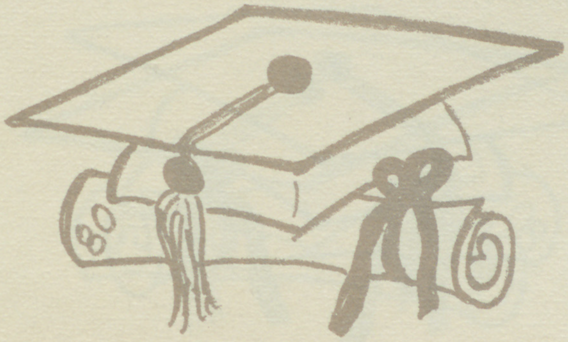

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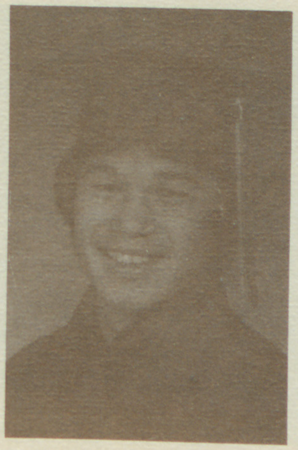
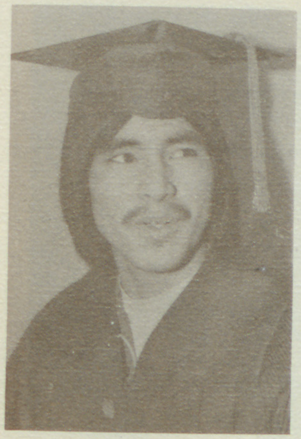
"Simone"
Eskimo
Emmonak
Wrestling and Softball





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Athabascan
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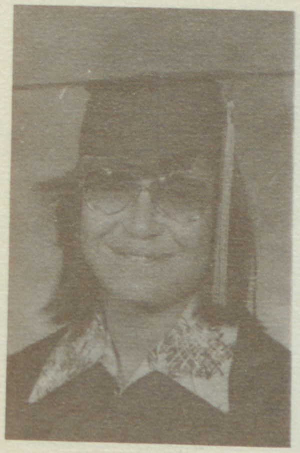
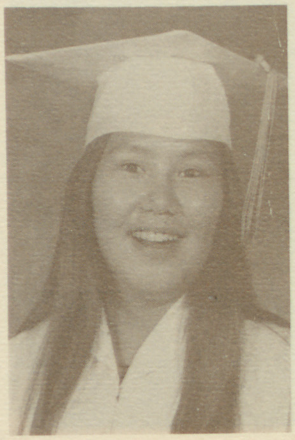


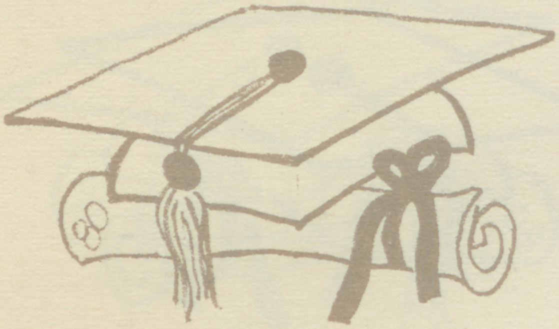
BENJAMIN SOCKPEALUK
Eskimo
Shaktoolik

CAROLYN M. SOLOMON
"Caren" or "Carrie"
Eskimo-Inupiat
Barrow



FLORA SOLOMON
"Wawa"
Eskimo-Inupiat
Fairbanks
Student Council
Secretary 4

SANDRA SOLOMON
"Solomon"
Athabascan
Ft. Yukon
Mat-Maid, Track,
Pep Band



PATRICK SPEIN
Eskimo
Kwethluk
Wrestling 4,
Basketball, Band

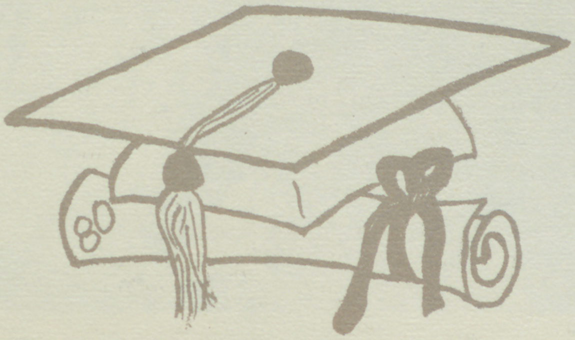
LUCY STANDIFER
Athabascan
Tuonek

LENA TOOLIE
Eskimo
Savoonga
VP 4, Honor
Quarters VP,
Student Council Rep 3

SUSAN TRITT
"Sue" or "Suzie"
Athabascan
Arctic Village

ROBERT WILLIAMS
"Bob"
Eskimo
Akiak
Cross Country,
Basketball

WASKA WILLIAMS, JR.
"AMUQ"
Eskimo
Akiak
Basketball, Track,
Cross Country



SAM WOODS
"Stone"
Eskimo
Shungnak
Basketball

OLINKA YOHAK
"Oly"
Eskimo
Kwethluk
Volleyball

BASIL ZACHAROF
Aleut
St. George Island
Swimming

1980 CLASS OFFICERS

Top Row (L-R): Stella Cleveland - Secretary, and Jeff Maupin-School Board Representative.
Second Row (L-R): Lena Toolie - Vice President, Fern Miller - President, and Sam Woods -Treasurer.
Bottom Row (L-R): Nellie Charlie - Student Council Representative, Kathy Cleveland - School Board Representative, and Franklin Lott - Student Council Representative.

Juniors hit the big time!

CLASS OF 81

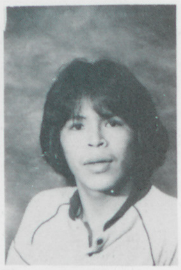
JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS (L-R): Karen Douglas, Laura Kroto, Terry Komonaseak, and Kathy Dushkin.

Sophie Acovak

Elsie Akaran

Nellie Alexie

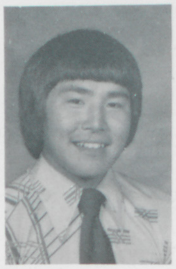
Jeanie Alakayak



Rudolph Alexandar

Nicolai Alexie

Leonard Alick



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Jimmy Andrew

Christine Aparezuk

Darlene Apangalook

Anuska Arkanakyak

Abe Ayapan

Martha Changsak

Daniel Charles

Nellie Chunak

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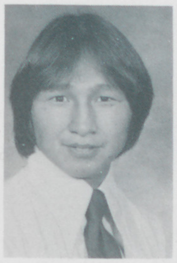
Elsie David

Karen Douglas

Kathy Dushkin



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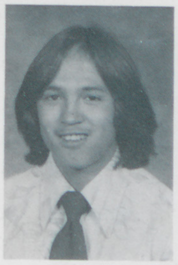
Rose Edwards

Jacob Epchook

Randy Engler

Bernice Evan

Darlene Evans



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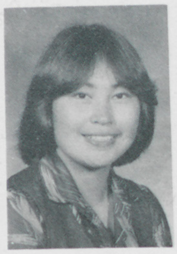
Anna George

Charles George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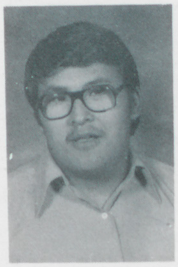
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Freda Heckman

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Donald Kelly

Carol John

Melvin Joseph

Monica Joseph

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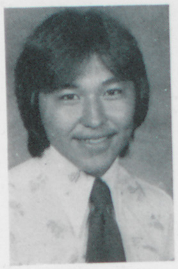
Grant Kashatok

Donna Kious

Jeri Komonaseak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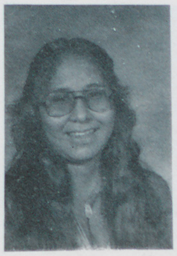
Blanche Lockwood

Arlene Lord

Robert Lott

Carrie Lupie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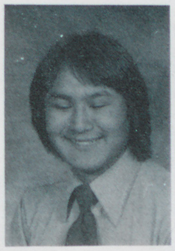
John Merculief

Peter Melovidov

Rose Moore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Karen Moto

Nicky Myers

Charles A. Nelson

Charles H. Nelson

Bertha Nick

Joe Nick

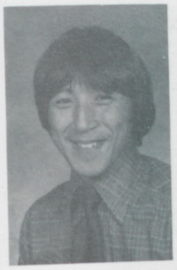
Evan Nicolai

Marie Nuglene

Joseph Odinzoff

Junior Class Sponsor Mr. Clark.

Grace Oldfriend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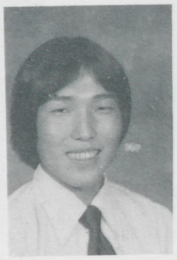
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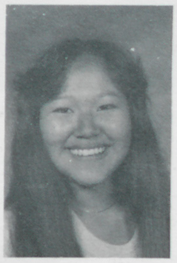
Juanita Petla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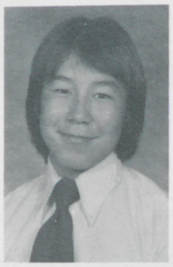
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Annie Phillips

Julie Petro

Janell Philemonof

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Arthur Redfox

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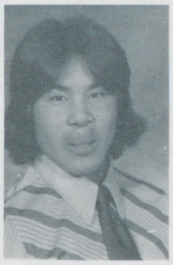
Darlene Sam

Elaine Sam



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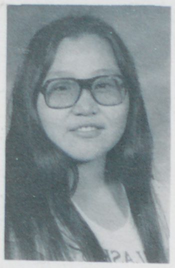
Dorothy Slats

Theresa Slats

Janet Smoke



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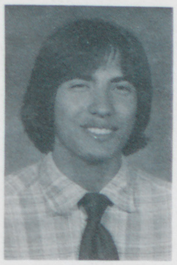

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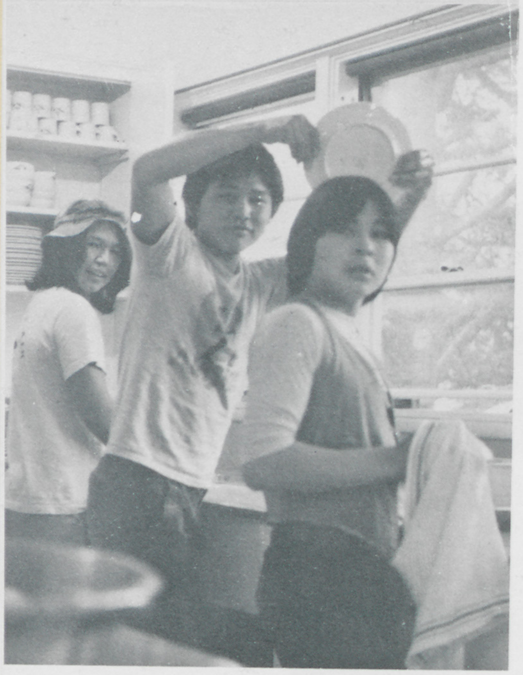
Nicholas Triplett

Alice Walcott



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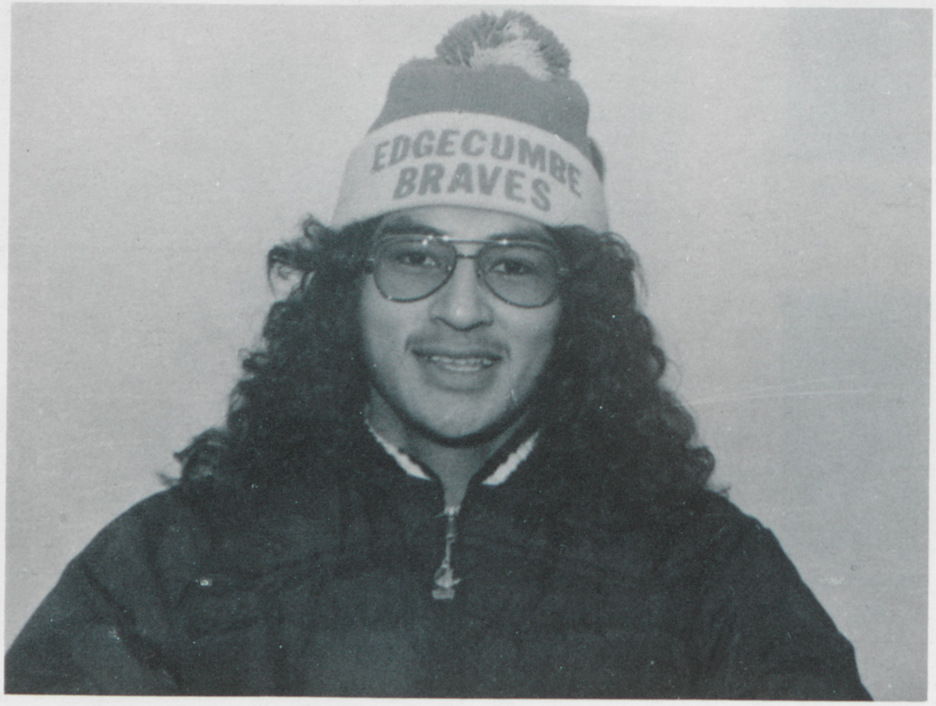

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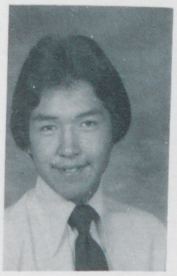

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Ellen Willis

Peter Yukluk

Dimitri Zacharof

Elizabeth Joseph

Jeffery Nelson

Caroline Nuglene

Mary Jane Odinzoff

Cynthia Ogle

Lorraine Tom

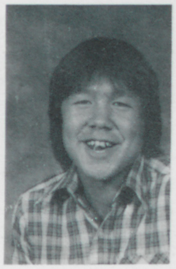
John Wassillie

Job Yohak

CLASS OF 82

Sophomore Class Officers (standing L-R): Freida Waska, Elizabeth Guy, Charlene Nelson, Paul Guy, Helen Spein, and Georgianna Philemonof. (Kneeling): Peter Valka and Kenney Phillip.

Gary Aketachunak



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Adam Alfred

Susane Amaktoolik

Julie Analoak

Eliza Andrew

Lydia Andrew

Joseph Ayagalria

Kenneth Barr

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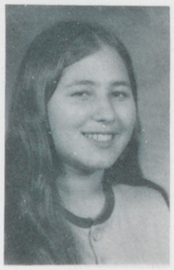
Alan Fredericks

Margaret Gene

Elizabeth Guy

Paul Guy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Elsie Hotch

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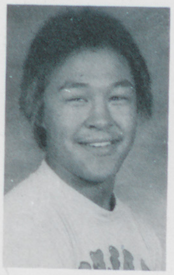

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Andrew Lupie

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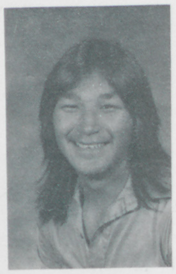

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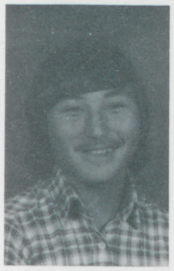

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Ellen Nashalook

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Adam Nicolai

John Nicolai

Roman Nicolai

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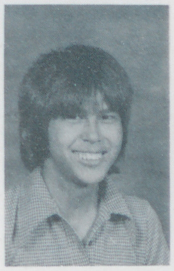
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Kenneth Phillip

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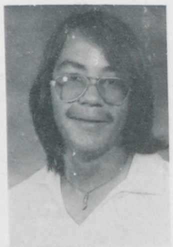
Charles Raymond

Anna Redfox

Darlene Riley



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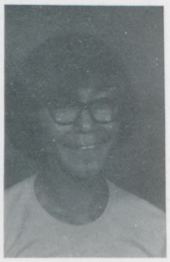
Amelia Rukovishnikoff



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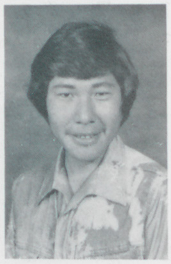
Corrine Sam



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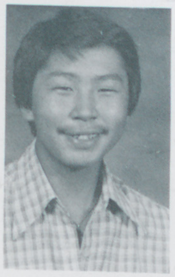
Palassa Simeon

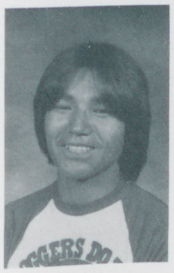
Eileen Simmonds

Anthony Soolook

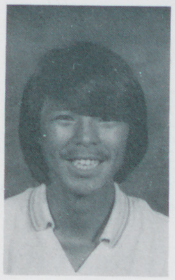


David Soolook

Sophomore Class Sponsor Mrs. Sutton.



Patrick Soolook



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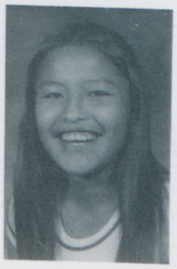
Charlie Spud

Joseph Stewart



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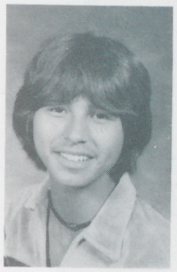

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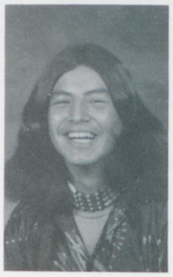

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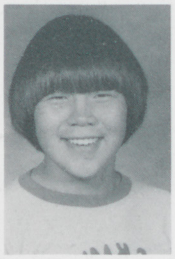

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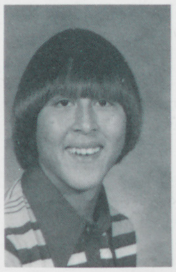

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Barbara Apangalook

Rosemary Charles

Christine Charlie

Richard Cleveland

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Vernon Douglas

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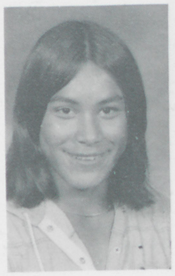
Judy George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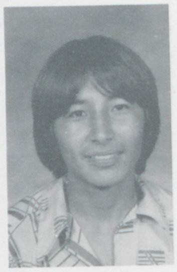
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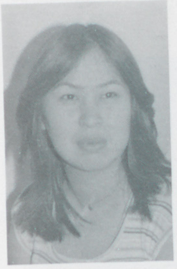
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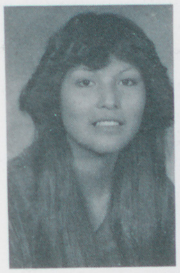
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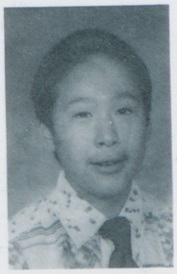
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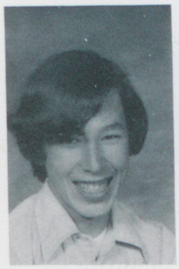
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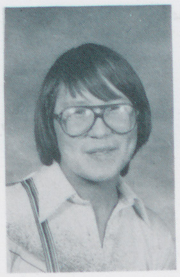
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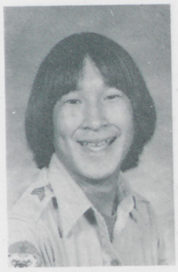

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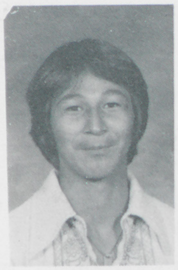

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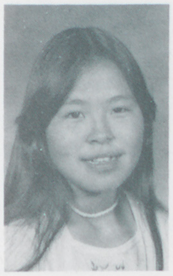

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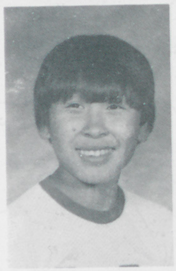

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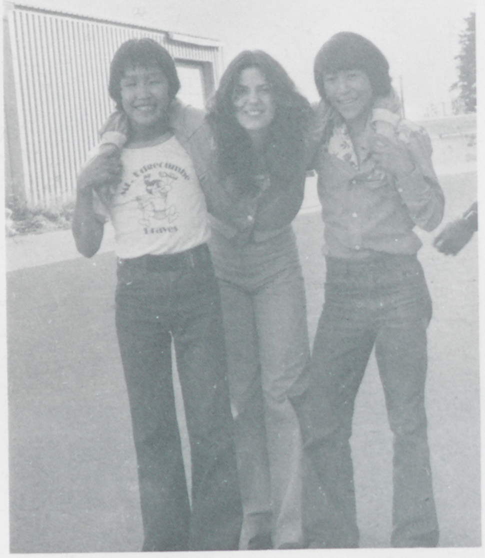

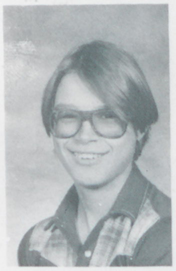

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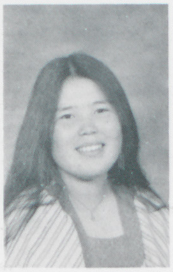

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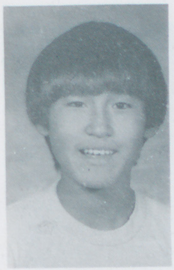

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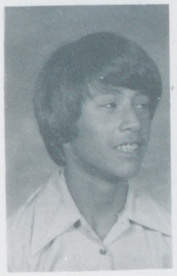

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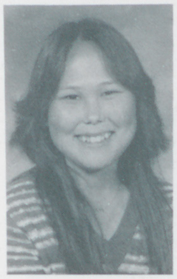

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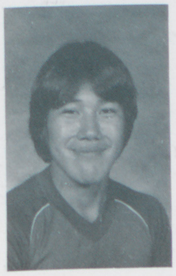

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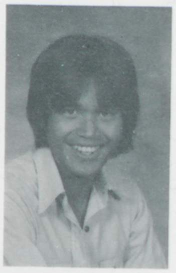
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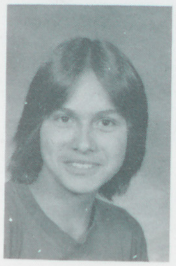
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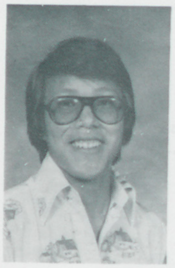
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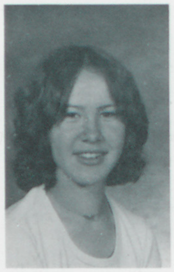
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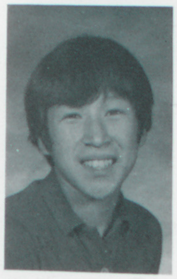
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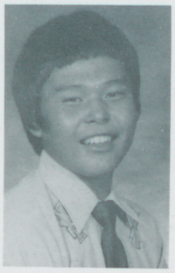

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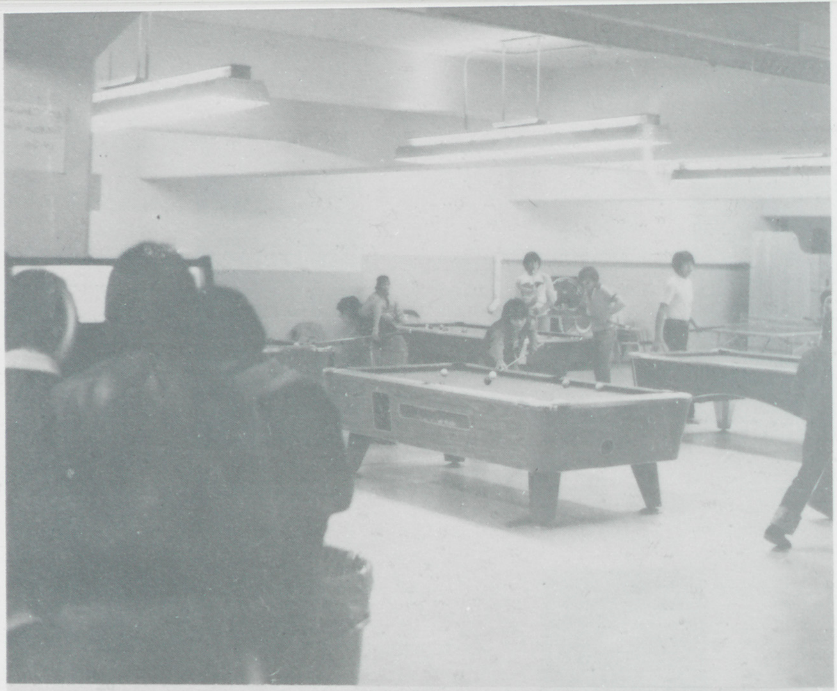


Jeff Maupin and Tommy Lockwood: "Superman's not the only one who can fly!"

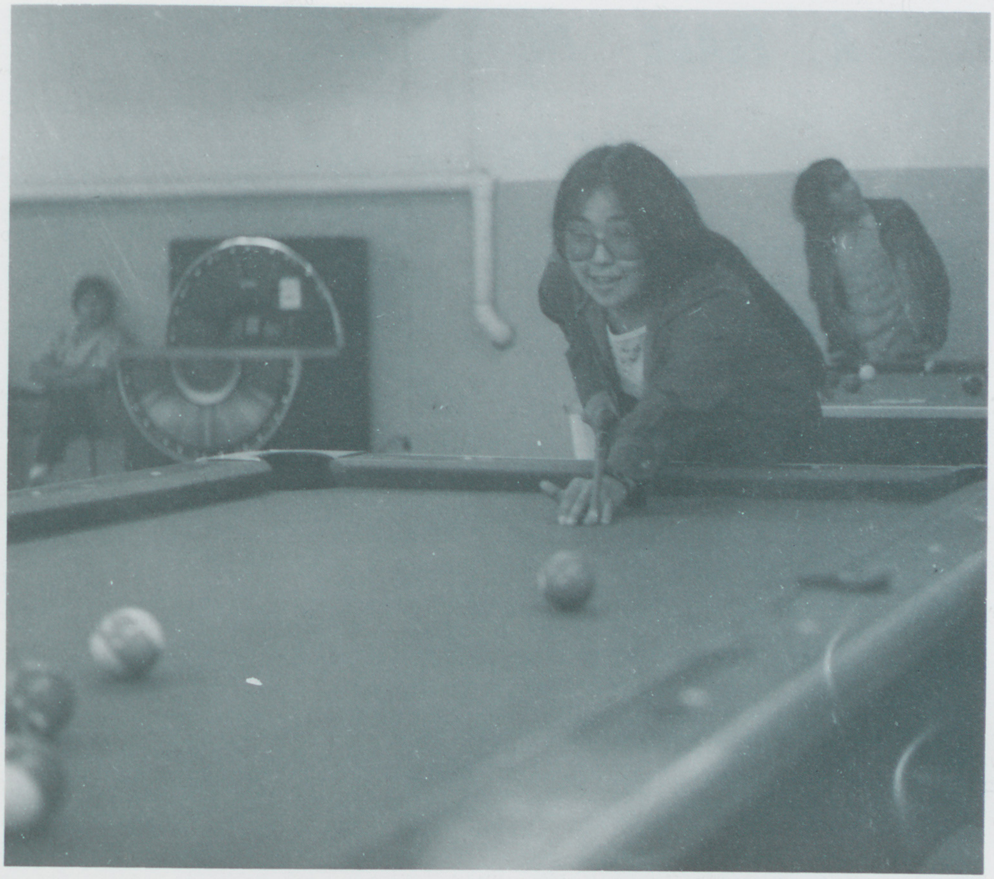
RECREATION

Recreation at Mt. Edgecumbe is programmed to supplement the education of the High School. Organization, teamwork, and self-discipline are all integral parts of the social behavior learning process. In evaluating the recreational program offered to our students at Mt. Edgecumbe, there are few schools who offer such a program as ours.

The school provides indoor and outdoor recreation. The indoor activities include basketball, volleyball, badminton, skateboarding, rollerskating, weight lifting, wrestling, boxing, archery, tennis, swimming, bowling, arts and crafts, and movies. The outdoor program consists of hiking, hunting, boating, camping, fishing, tennis, softball, and an indoor/outdoor rifle range.

The Student Union is probably the most used facility at Mt. Edgecumbe. There are pool tables, foosball tables, jukebox, small table games, ping pong, and a snack bar. Many school dances are held here.

Always eager, Charlie Spud -- "Is anybody else ready besides me?"

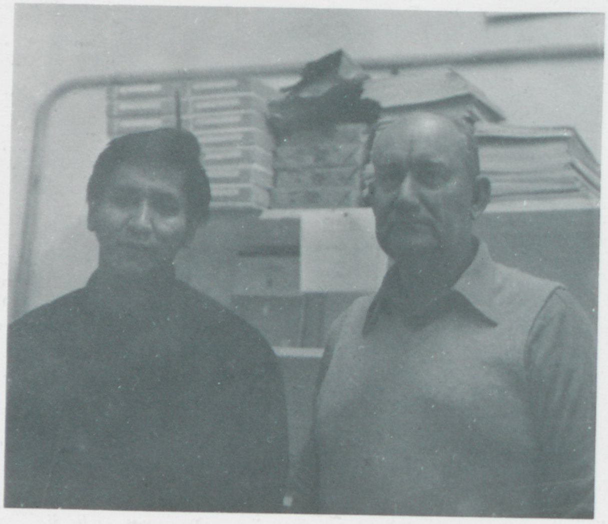


Frieda Waska at the pool table thinks to herself, "It's going to be short before I even hit the ball."

The guys concentrating on their pool. If they only studied as hard!

A PLACE TO RELAX AFTER A LONG HARD DAY!

Unidentified student pauses to think about which ball to hit next. Kenny Phillip says, "This one!"



Mr. Johnson and Mr. Harding - - thinking of the future.

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Dolly and Ellen Willis get ready to play foosball - "Anybody want to challenge us?"

FOOSBALL TOURNAMENT BOARD

James Kaiser and Sandra Dick playing foosball. "Where did the ball go?" says James. "I don't know," replies Sandra.

Agnes Williams, playing cards, looks up at the photographer. "What does she want of me - my looks?"

(Left to right) Chuck, "Baby Boy," Sharon and Irene playing a serious game of foosball.

Senior Class Co-Sponsor Mrs. Stevens.

Senior Class Co-Sponsor Mr. Thomason.

Counselors Lend A 'Helping Hand'

As Freshman Counselor, Mr. Dickey schedules classes, registers students, and works with them in solving and preventing problems in academic, social, and personal areas.

Miss Hilfiker believes that the Sophomore year is the time when high school students are most likely to drop out of school. She encourages students to remain in school and make the most of the excellent opportunities availabe at Mt. Edgecumbe.

Mr. Lorah, Junior Counselor, tests students and interprets the scores for teachers, staff, and students. He encourages students to make decisions on their own and become useful citizens after graduation.

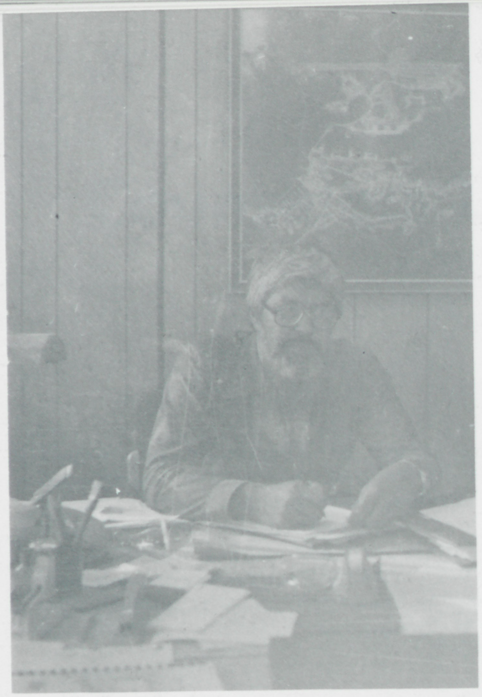
Senior Counselor Mr. Gaston makes sure the Seniors have the right courses to graduate. He coordinates college visitations and advises students of financial aid opportunities available when applying for admission to college.

Clockwise (top opposite page) Junior Counselor Mr. Lorah enjoys a joke with student.

Miss Hilfiker, Sophomore Counselor, pauses momentarily to have her face preserved in history, while her comrade turtle (below) hangs in there.

Freshman Counselor Mr. Dickey takes a pause from class scheduling.

Mr. Gaston, Senior Counselor, basks under the shade of his favorite Sitka palm tree.



O&M WORKS TO MAKE THE CAMPUS BETTER

Mr. Al Wilson is head of Facilities Management. Facilities Management is in charge of all maintenance. There are sixty-three men and women working for Operations and Maintenance.

There are four basic divisions within Facilities Management. First is warehouse, which is in charge of ordering, storing, and issuing equipment. Second is grounds and streets. They are in charge of repairing streets and digging underground for repairing of the sewer. Carpenters and painters are in charge of painting that needs to be done, and anything that has to be repaired or that has to do with wood. Utilities are in charge of all electrical work.

Some of the major projects done by Facilities Management during the summer were remodeling the Student Union, siding repair of the laundry building, and heating and insulation of various buildings on Alice Island.

Besides these responsibilities, certain men from different divisions are trained to respond immediately to fire alarms. Each one takes his place in assisting at what ever fire may occur at Mt. Edgecumbe.

Although Facilities Management personnel are not directly involved with students, their many duties are essential to the functioning of our school.

1) Top (L-R): Harold Borbridge, Larry Larson, Nathan Bernhardt, Nathan Williams and Joe Jackson.
Seated (L-R): Billy Osbekoff, Paul Chulik, Chester Jackson and Benny Benson, Sr.

2) Carpenters Bill Shayen and Al Duncan.

3) The three crewmen watch as the others dig to check the waterpipe.

4) Fireman Jim Gillian.

5) Security Guards Chester Finney and Pat Littlefield.

6) (Front Row L-R): Betty Garrity, Margaret Abbott, Nancy Moreno, Charlotte Nielsen, and Ethel Willis. (Back Row L-R): Anita Gamble, Cheryl Duncan, Jim Donnelly, and Harold R. Lauer, Laundry Foreman.

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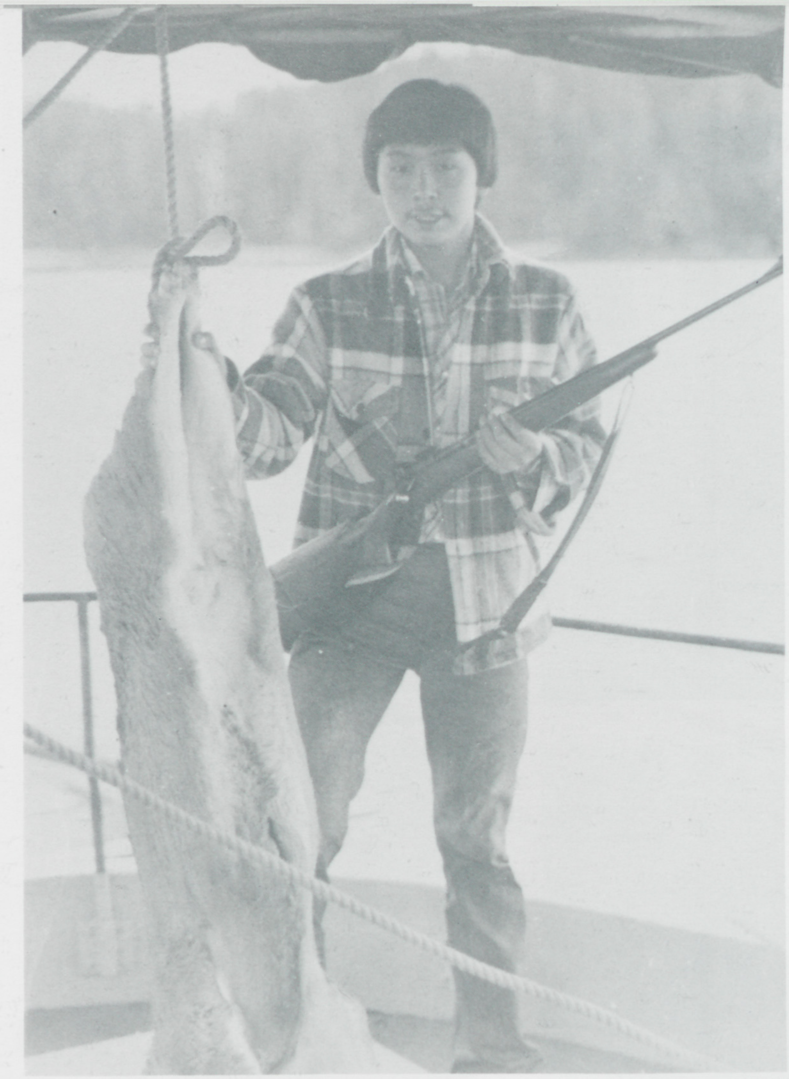


MT. EDGECUMBE HIGH SCHOOL

(Clockwise) David Soolook returns from his hunting trip with two black-tailed bucks.
A headpiece, doll, and dance fans represent part of the fading culture.
A student uses the same method as his forefolks to keep his meat fresh.
Judy George wears a kuspuk, an article of clothing that has been part of the Eskimo culture for many years.
Mt. Edgecumbe High School is a stepping stone for Alaska Natives.

Being a Native is...

. . . being proud of our family, heritage, and country.

. . . knowing you are unique.

. . . being myself and being happy because I am what I am.

. . . learning the old ways so we can save our culture and carry it on to the next generation.

. . . a drumbeat once distant now becoming stronger and stronger.

TAHETA STAFF.

Bottom Row (L-R): Stella Cleveland, Jeri Komonaseak and Theresa Slats. Standing (L-R): Judy Brady, Julie Petro, Tom Lockwood, Flora Solomon, Jeff Maupin, Irene Kochutin, Elias Pete, Carolyn Solomon, Mike Johnson, and Barbara Hapoff.

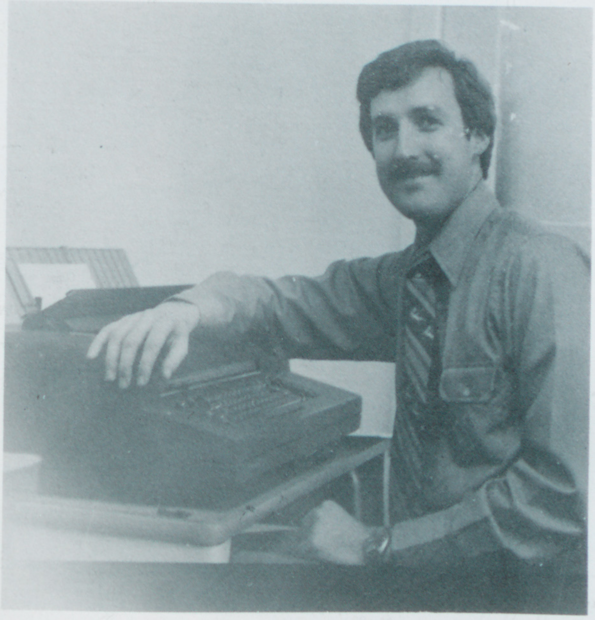
Covering activities, taking pictures, planning layouts, and meeting deadlines are all a part of being on the Yearbook staff.

The Yearbook staff is divided into three groups, each with a Team Leader acting as editor of their group. The Team Leaders decide which activities their group will cover for the year and teach the necessary skills to work in the darkroom, write stories, and work in the radio station.

The three groups cover events and activities the whole year long. Working together, they meet deadlines and record Mt. Edgecumbe history.

Yearbook Advisor, Mr. Slats - our "fearless leader!"

. . .
struggle to meet deadlines



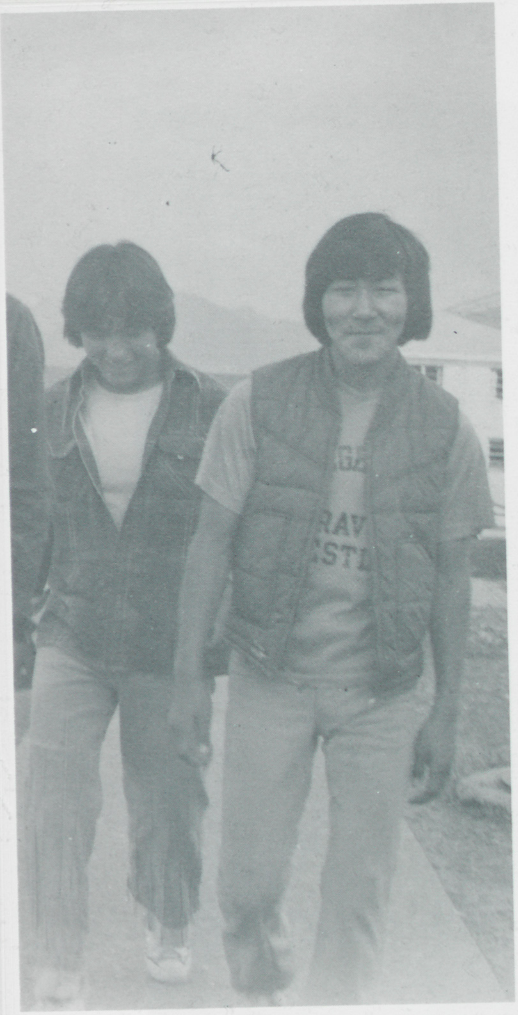
Mr. Grumbles looks up from his composer and thinks, "Through at last!"

Wawa types her story for the Taheta.

Stella cuts the edges that are much too long.

Carolyn and Barbara look through negatives.

Elias and Irene measure and cut the edges of the paper.



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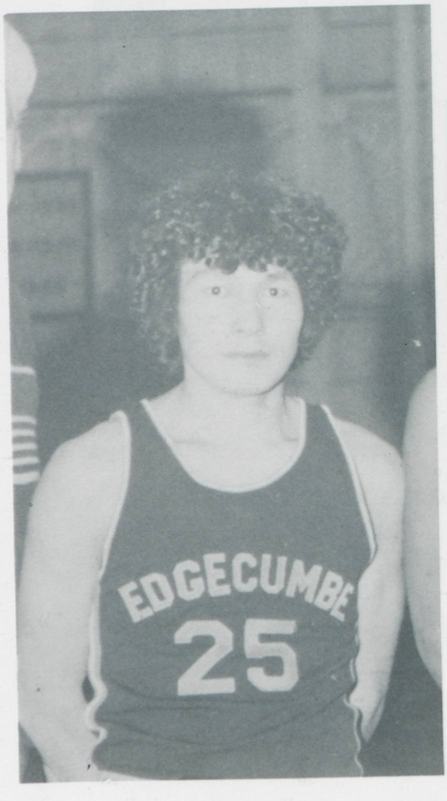
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FRIDAY

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